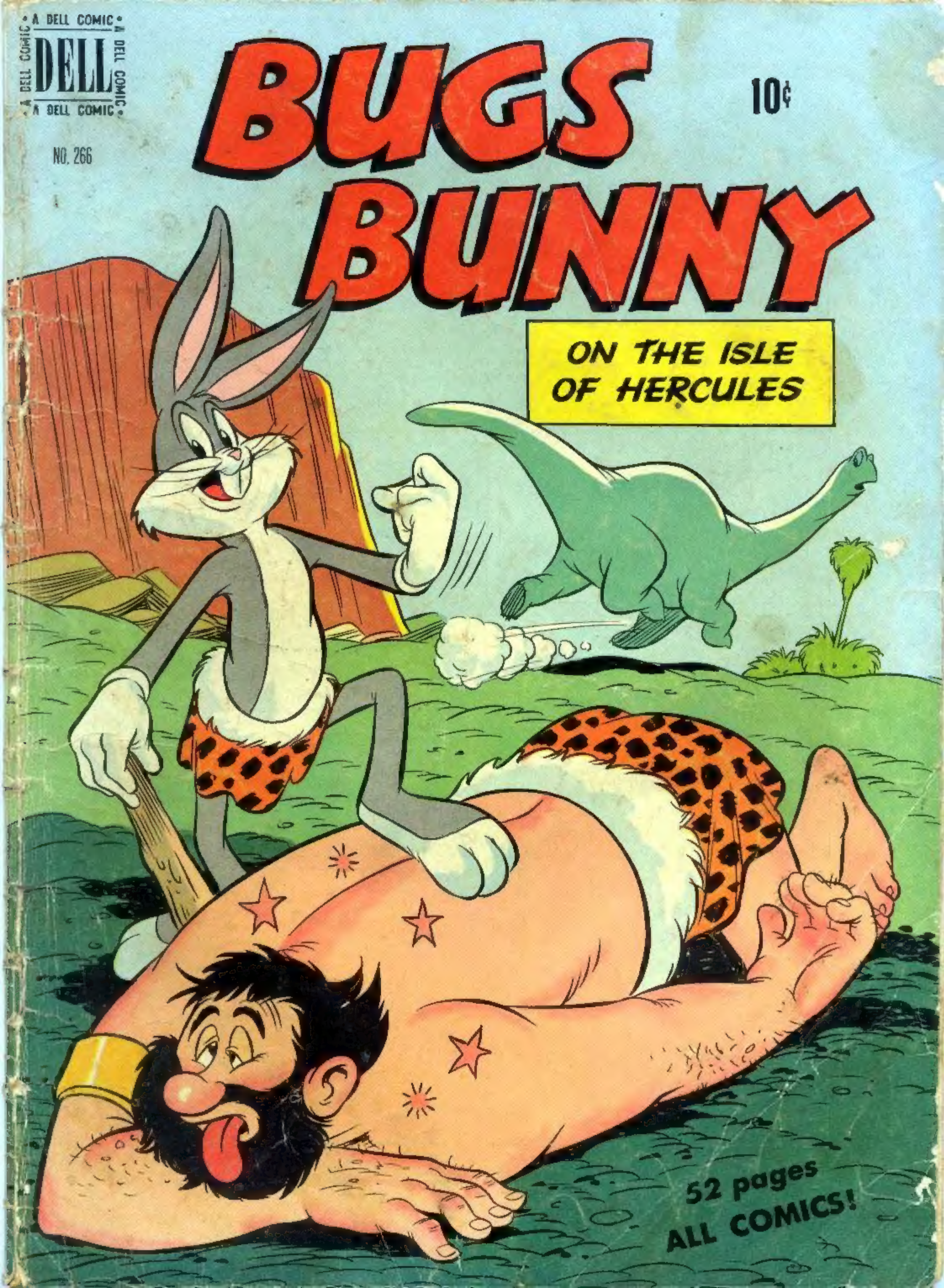
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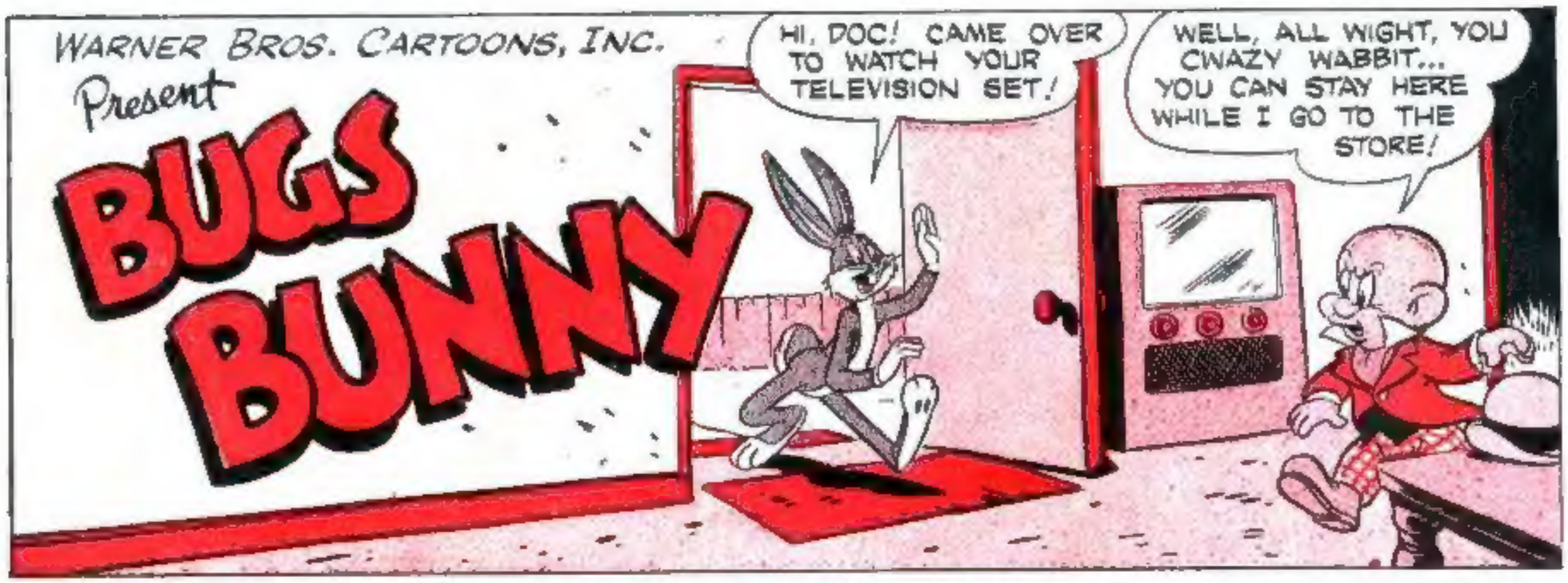

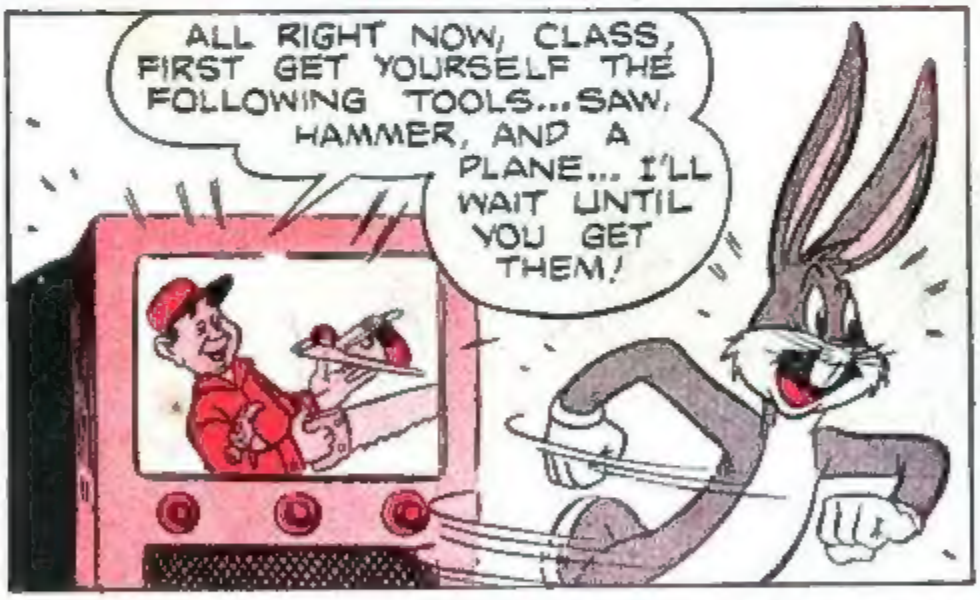

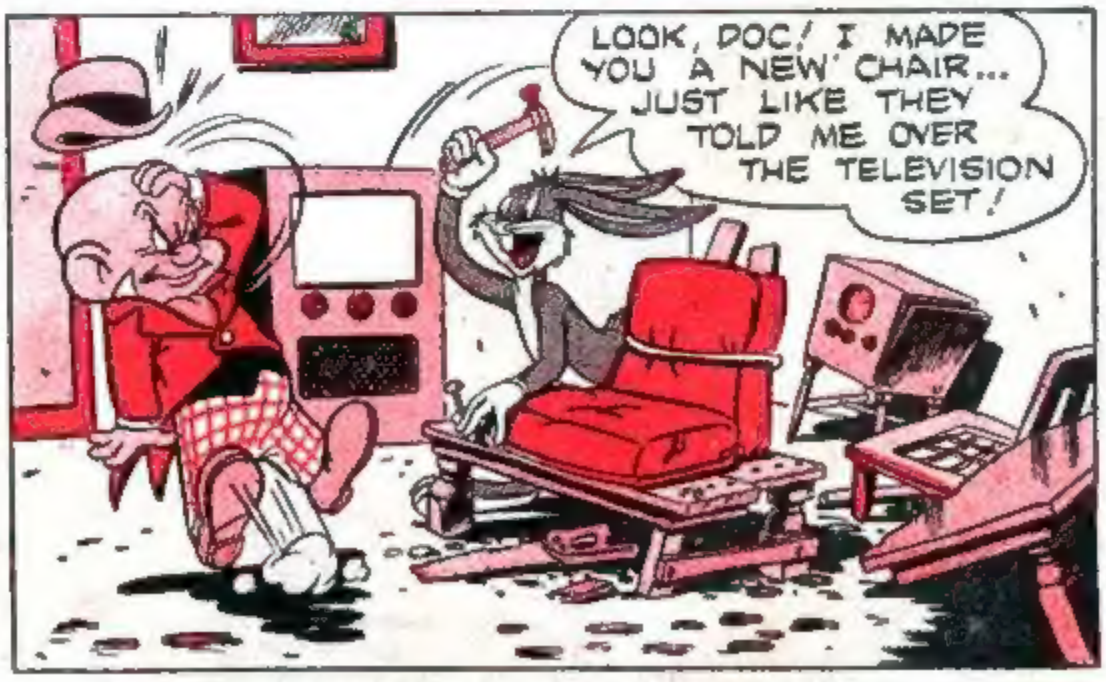

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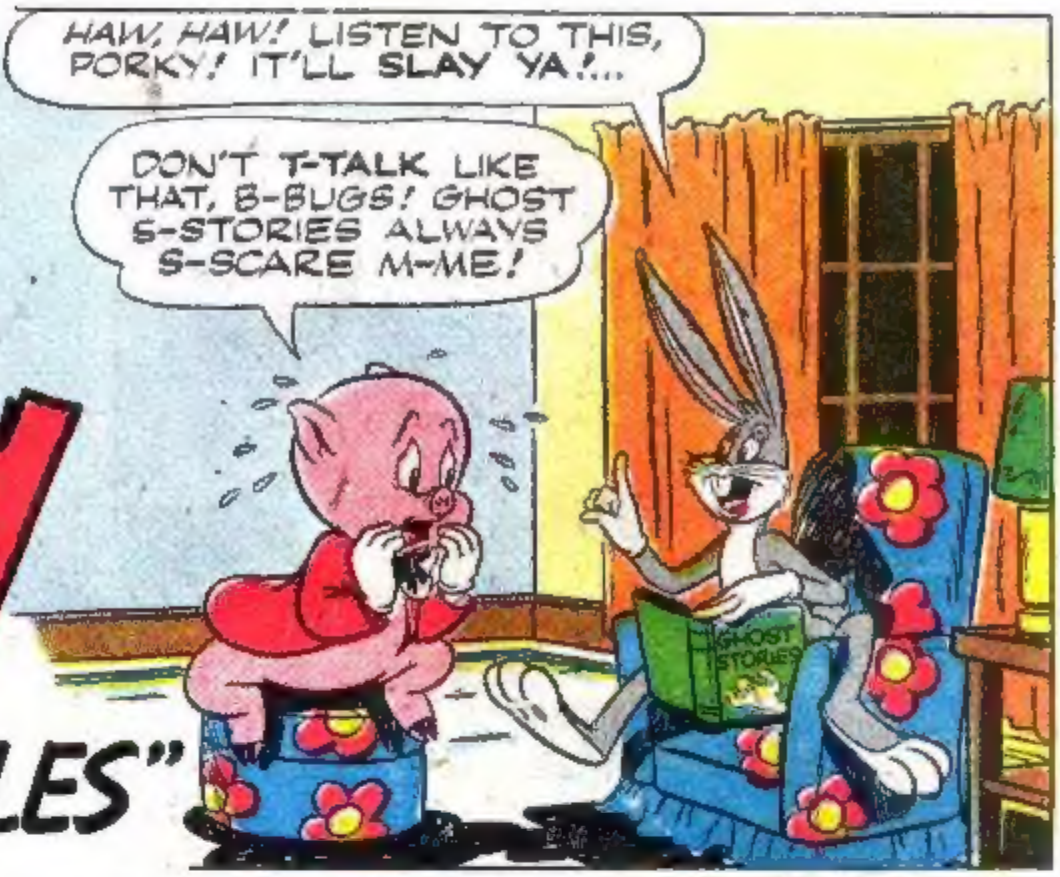

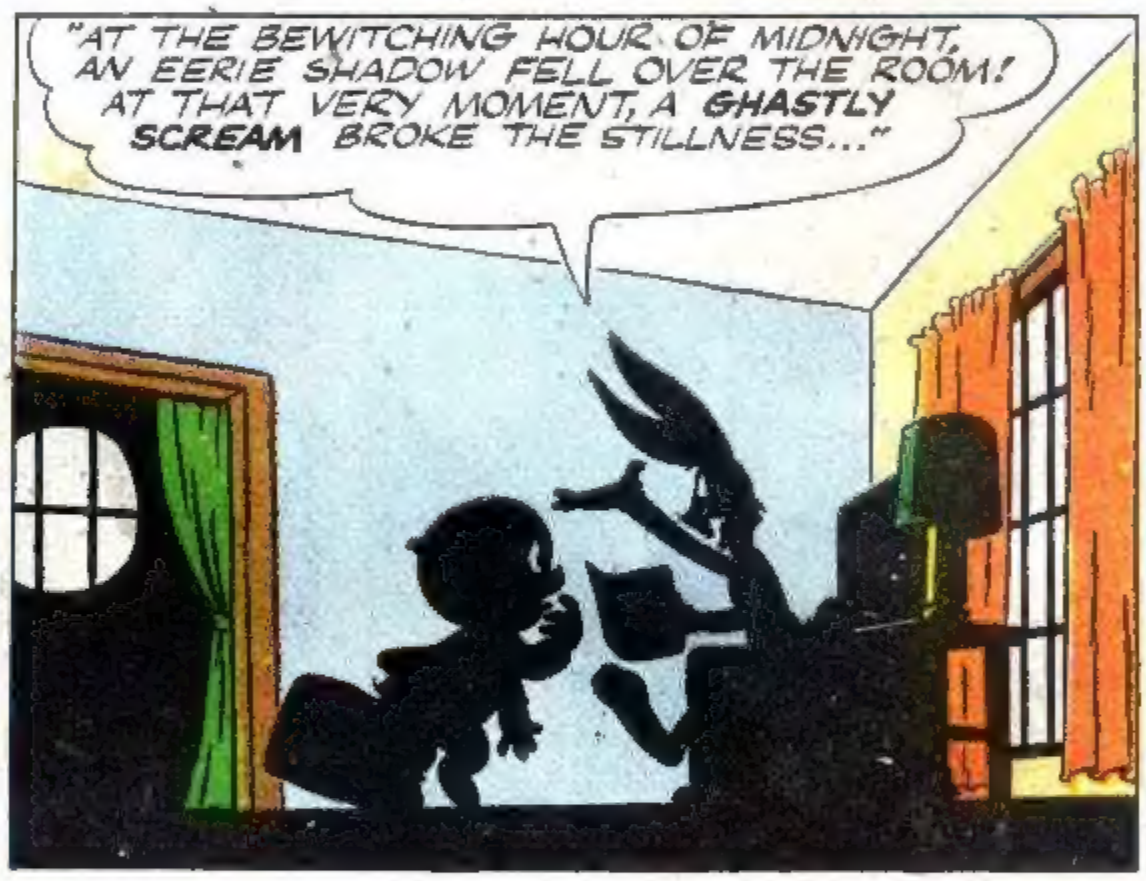

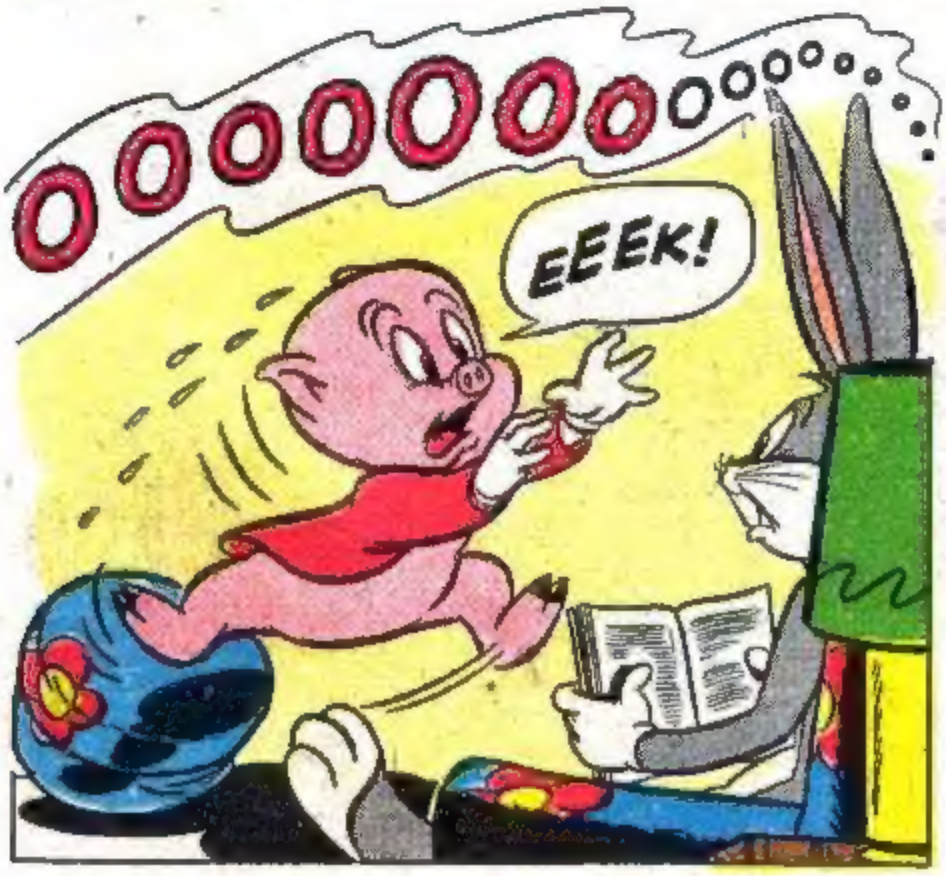

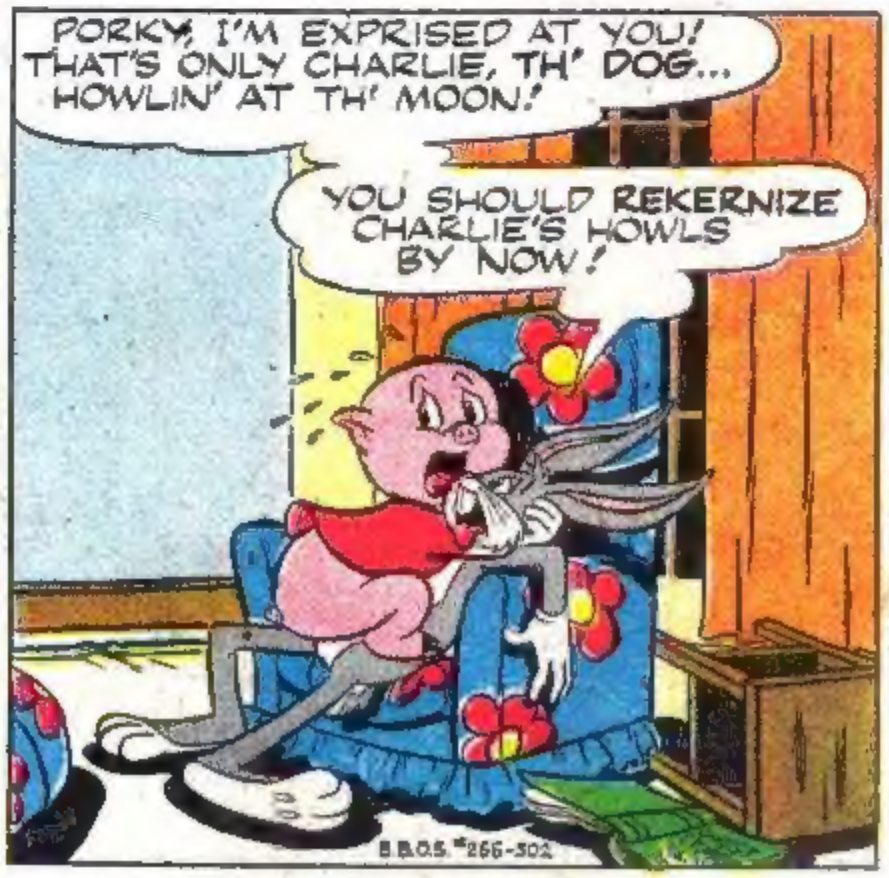

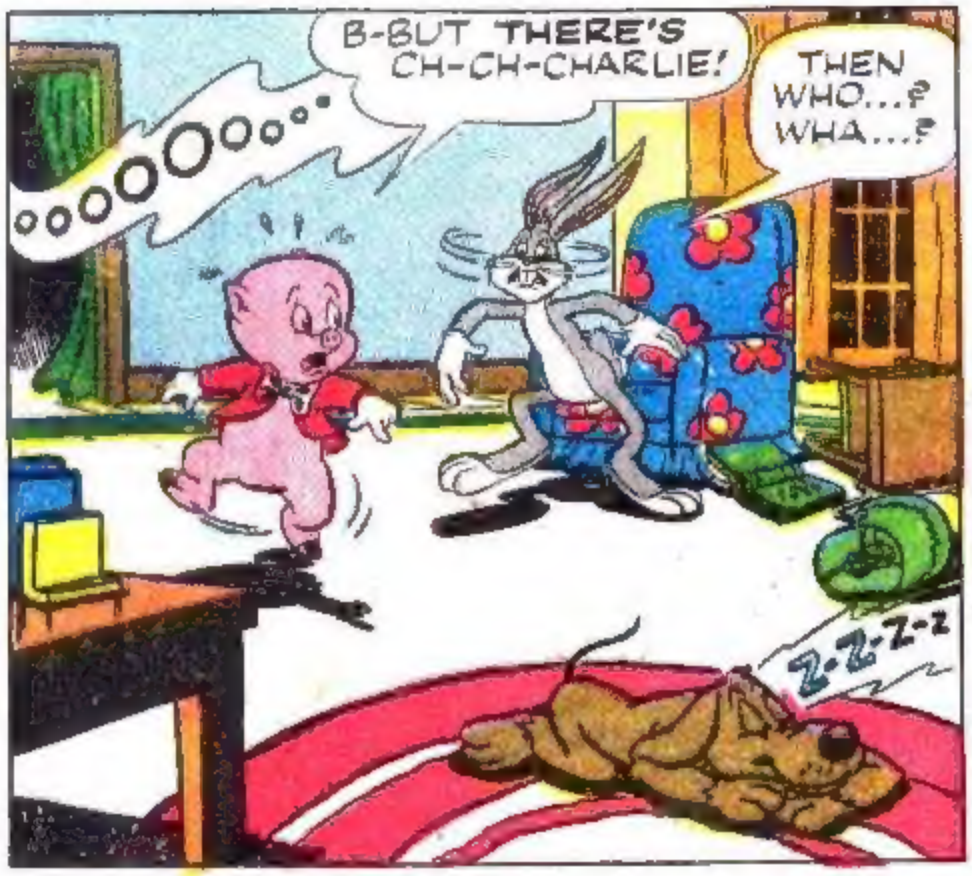
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THEN WHO...? WHA...?
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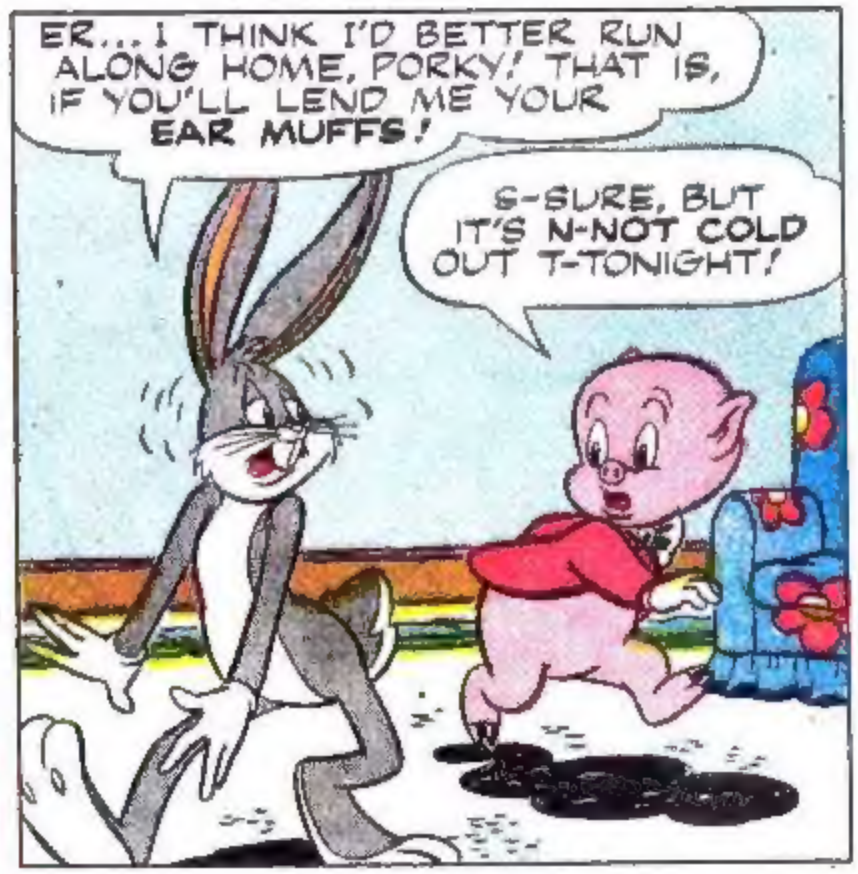
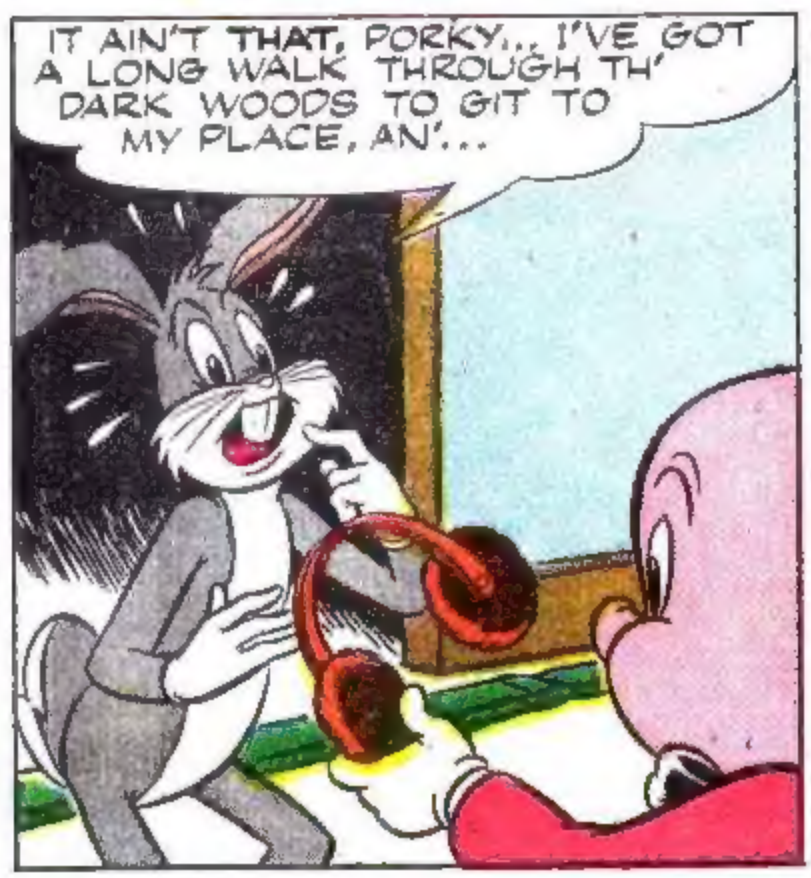
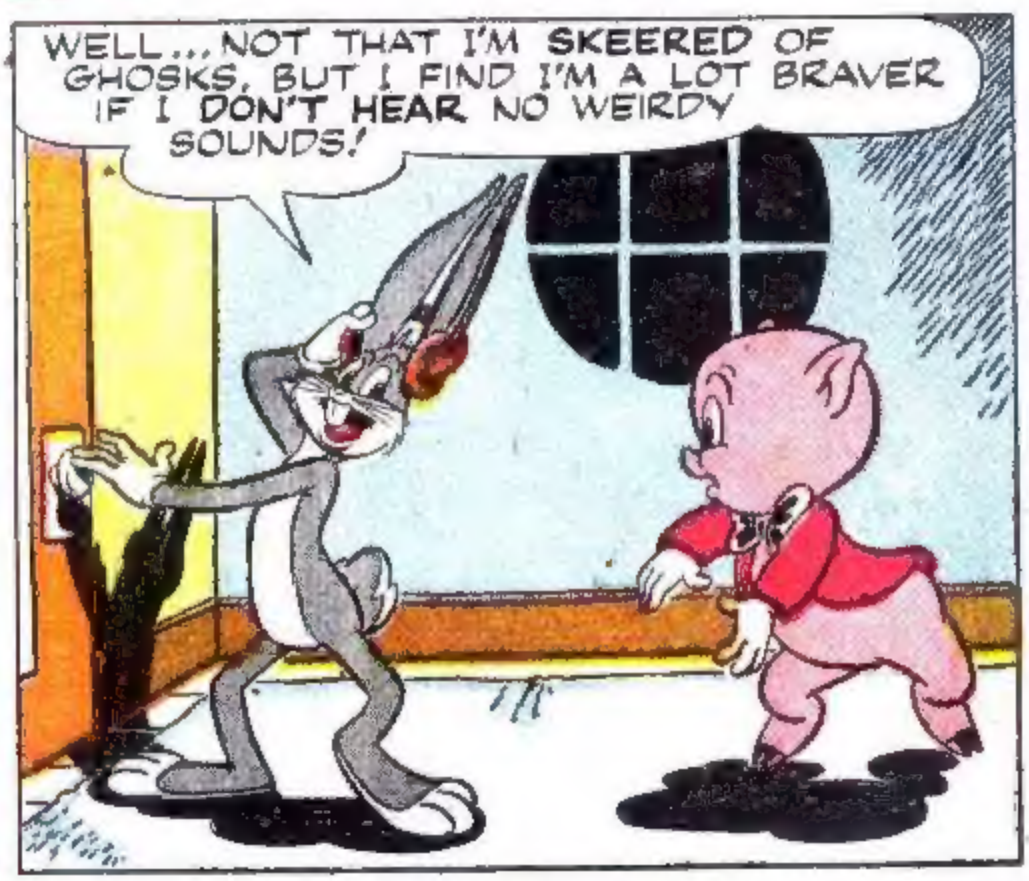
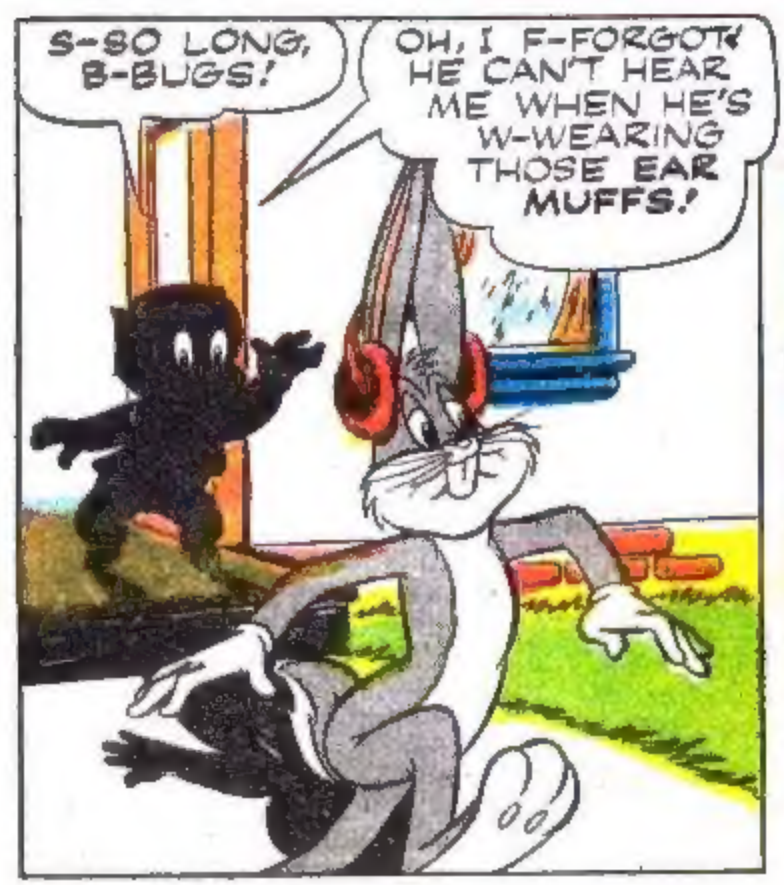
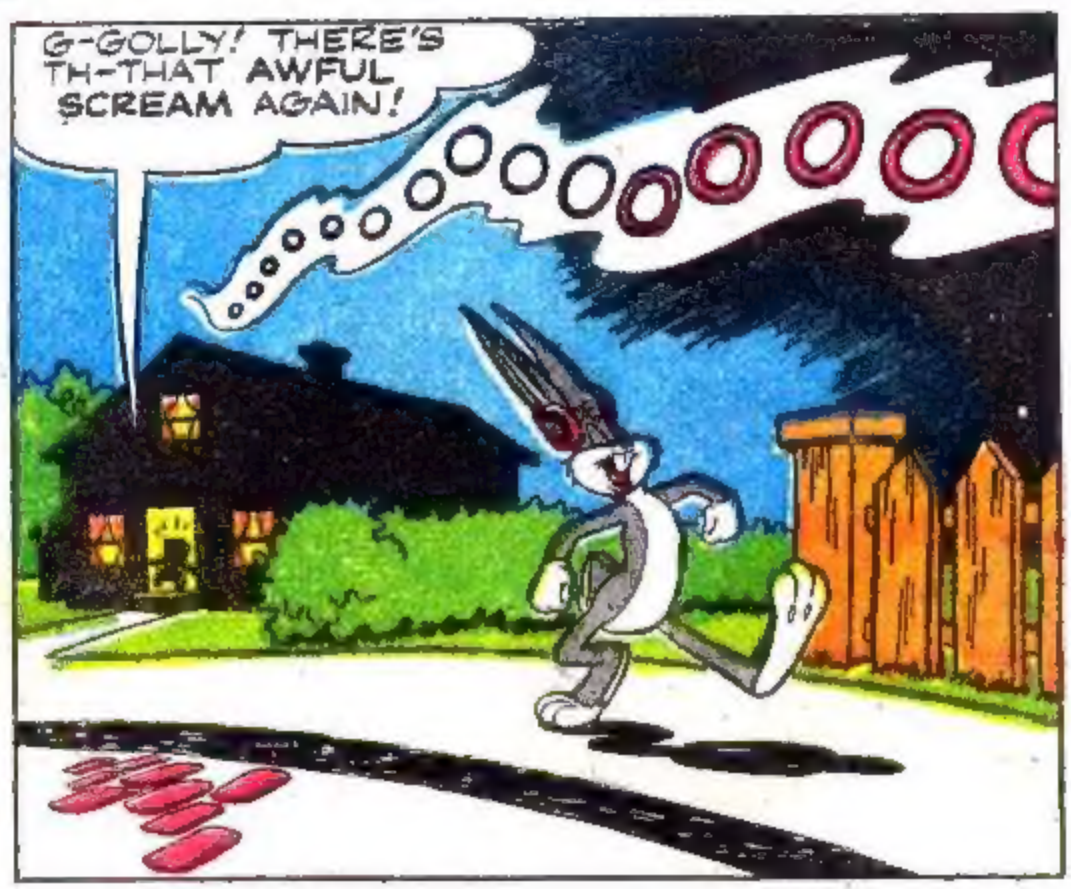
Z-Z-Z-Z


ER... I THINK I'D BETTER RUN ALONG HOME, PORKY! THAT IS, IF YOU'LL LEND ME YOUR EAR MUFFS!
S-SURE, BUT IT'S N-NOT COLD OUT T-TONIGHT!

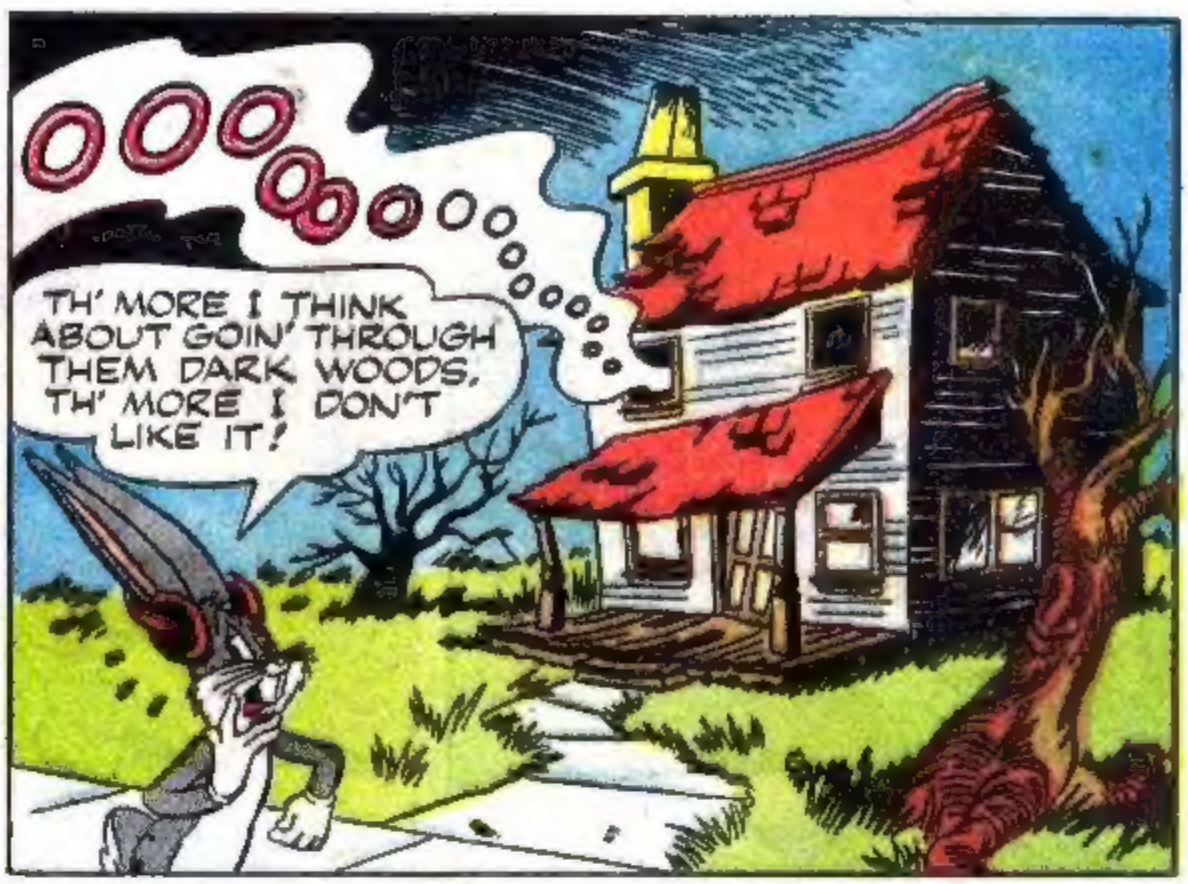

IT AIN'T THAT, PORKY... I'VE GOT A LONG WALK THROUGH TH' DARK WOODS TO GIT TO MY PLACE, AN'...

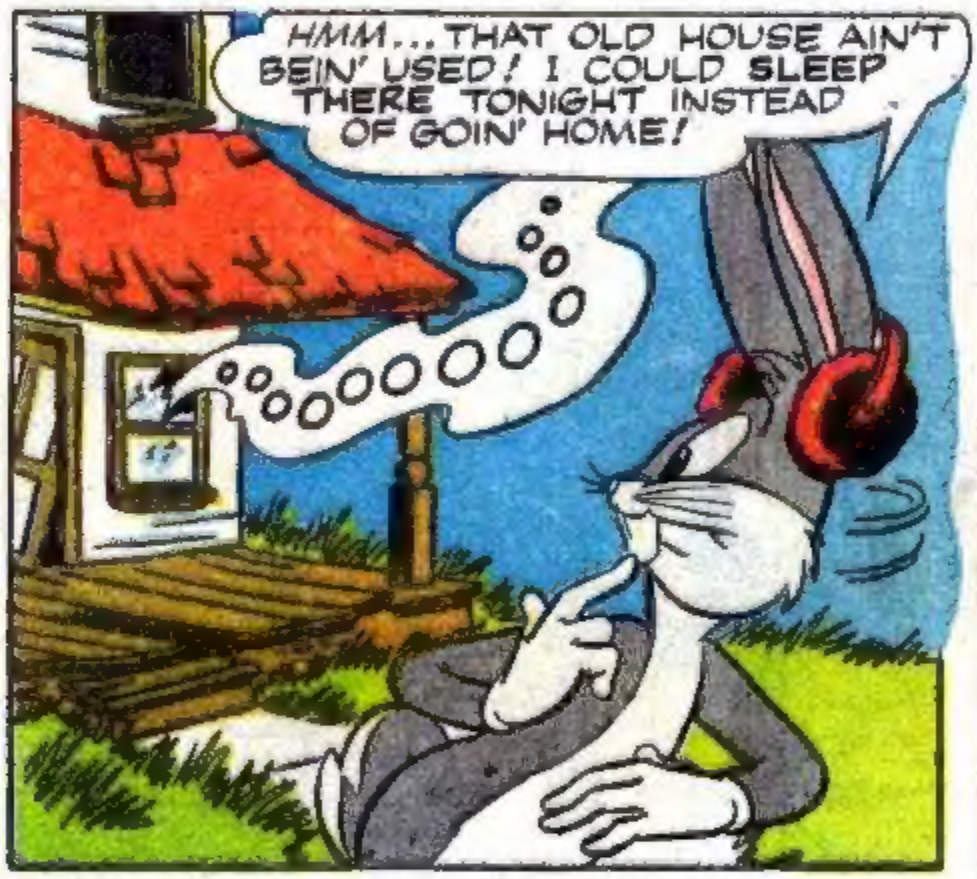

WELL... NOT THAT I'M SKEERED OF GHOSKS, BUT I FIND I'M A LOT BRAVER IF I DON'T HEAR NO WEIRDY SOUNDS!

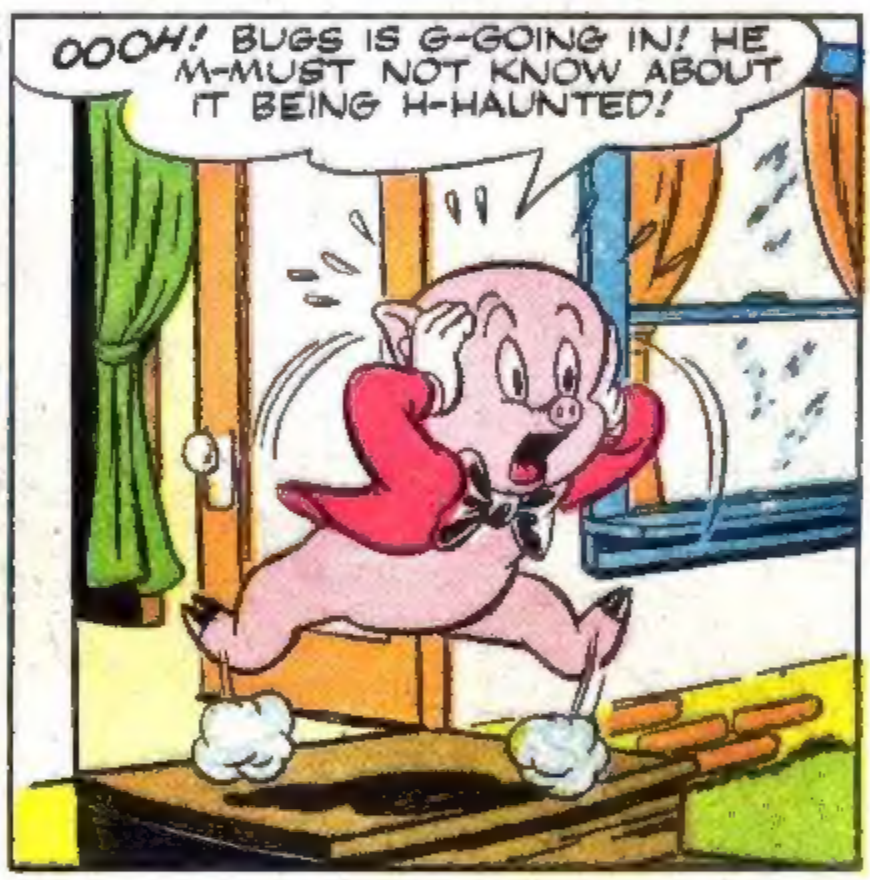

S-SO LONG, B-BUGS!
OH, I F-FORGOT HE CAN'T HEAR ME WHEN HE'S W-WEARING THOSE EAR MUFFS!


G-GOLLY! THERE'S TH-THAT AWFUL SCREAM AGAIN!
OOOOOOOOOOOOOOOO

ULP! IT CAME F-FROM THE OLD McBURP HOME... TH' ONE THEY S-SAY IS H-HAUNTED! BUGS IS RIGHT IN F-FRONT OF IT NOW!

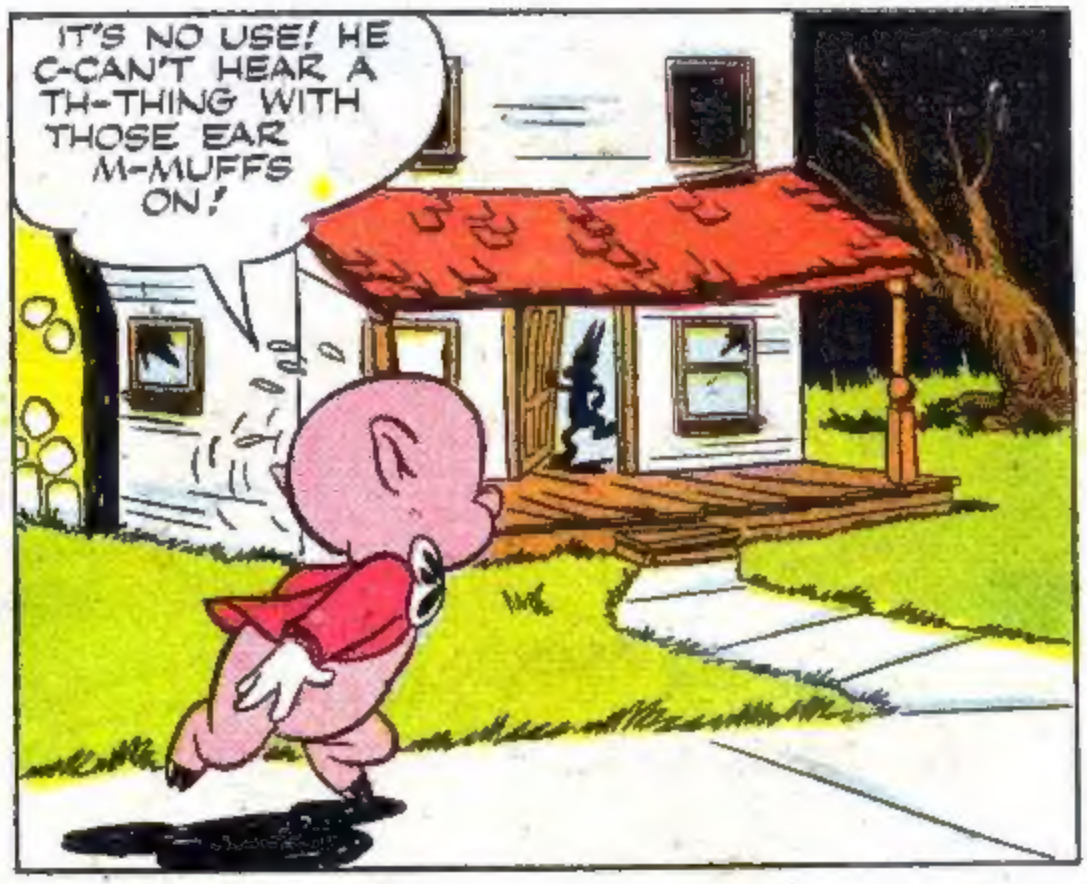

TH' MORE I THINK ABOUT GOIN' THROUGH THEM DARK WOODS, TH' MORE I DON'T LIKE IT!

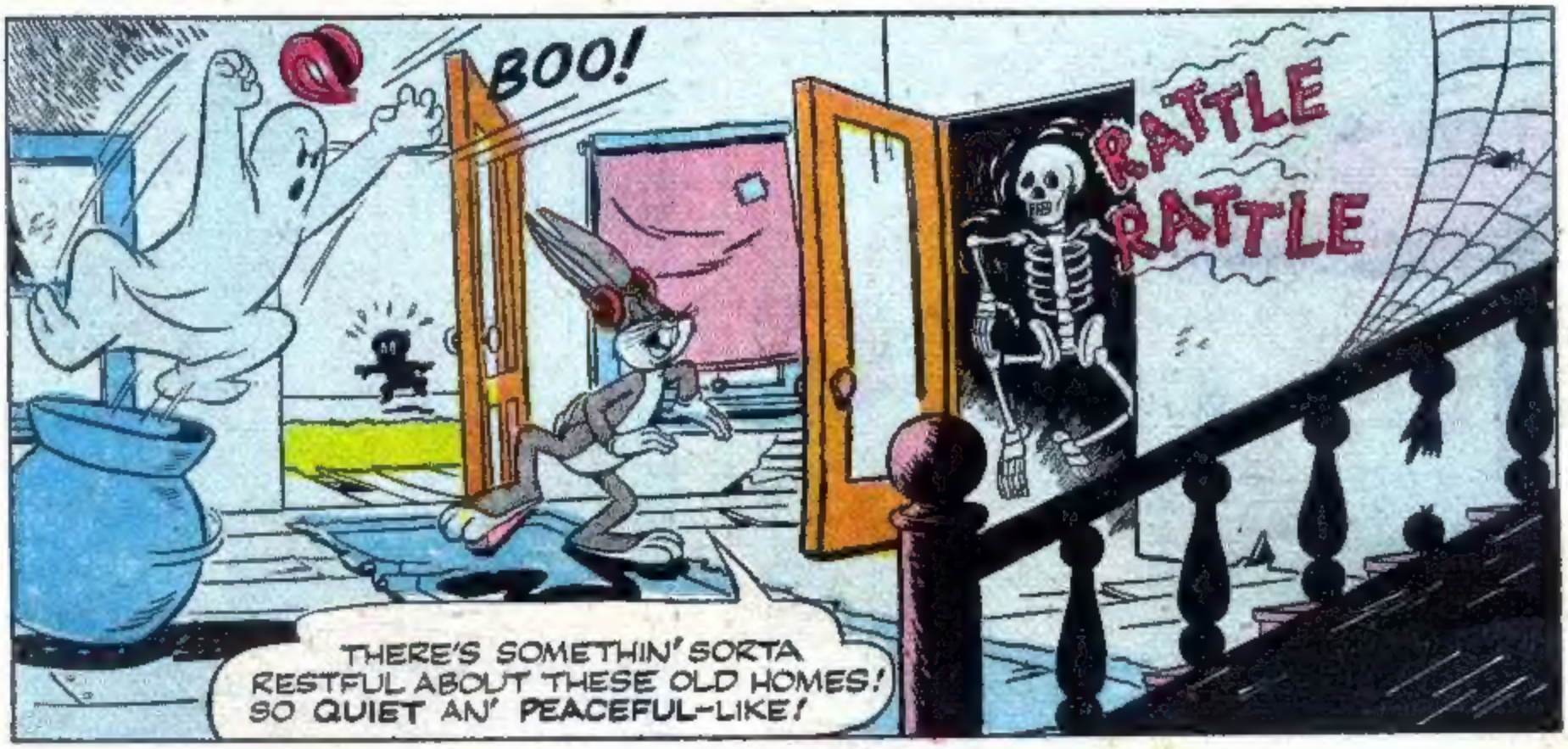

HMM... THAT OLD HOUSE AIN'T BEIN' USED! I COULD SLEEP THERE TONIGHT INSTEAD OF GOIN' HOME!


OOOH! BUGS IS G-GOING IN! HE M-MUST NOT KNOW ABOUT IT BEING H-HAUNTED!

'COURSE PORKY WOULDA LET ME BUNK WITH HIM, BUT I WOULDN'T WANT HIM TO GIT TH' REPRESSION. I'M A COWARD!
HELP!
HELP!
RATTLE! RATTLE!

S-STOP! BUGS! YOU M-MUSTN'T GO IN THERE! IT'S H-H-HAUNTED!


IT'S NO USE! HE C-CAN'T HEAR A TH-THING WITH THOSE EAR M-MUFFS ON!


BOO!
RATTLE RATTLE
THERE'S SOMETHIN' SORTA RESTFUL ABOUT THESE OLD HOMES! SO QUIET AN' PEACEFUL-LIKE!

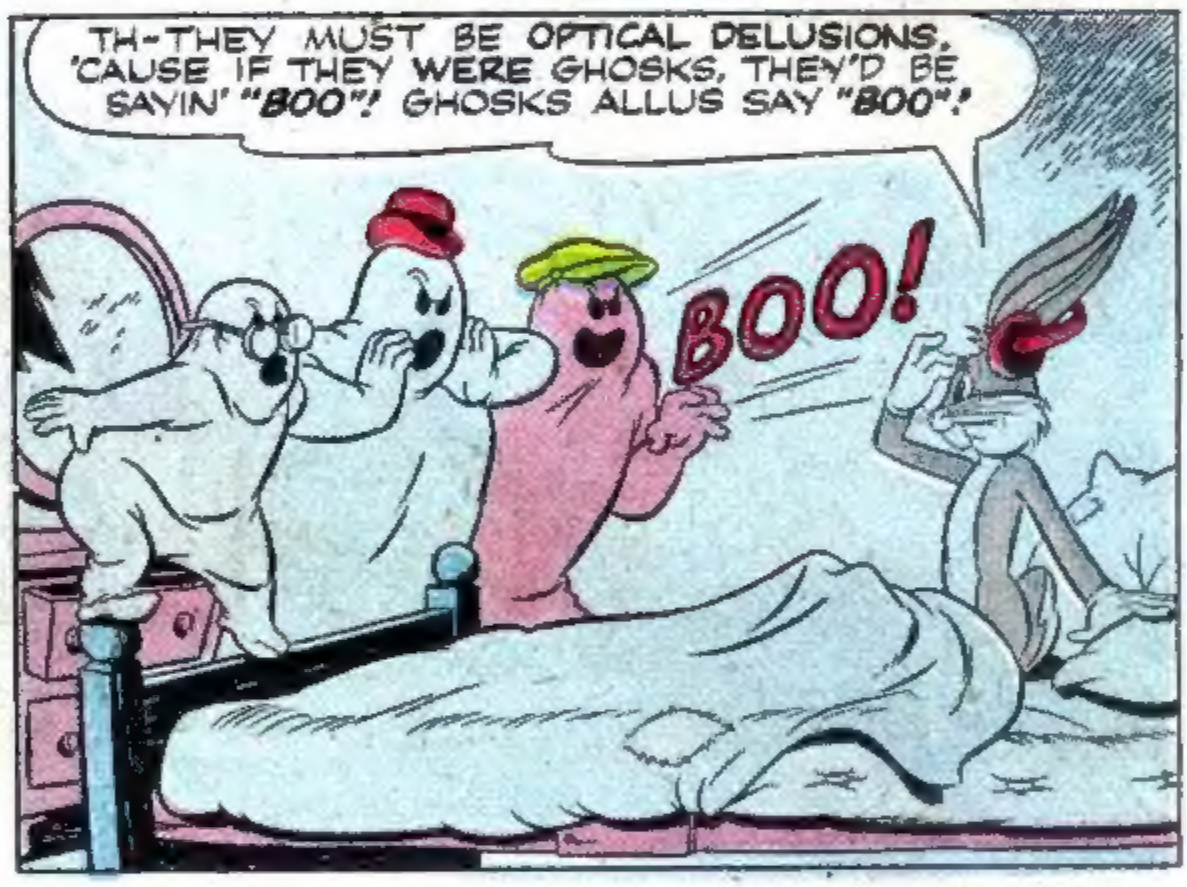
I RECKON TH' BEDROOMS ARE ALL UPSTAIRS! MY, MY! IT'S SO QUIET HERE, YA CAN HEAR A PIN DROP!
RATTLE RATTLE
BOO!

BUT THAT'S SILLY... THERE AIN'T ANYBODY AROUND TO DROP A PIN!
BOO!

WHAT WAS THAT? I THOUGHT I HEARD TH' TINKLE OF BROKEN GLASS!
CRASH!

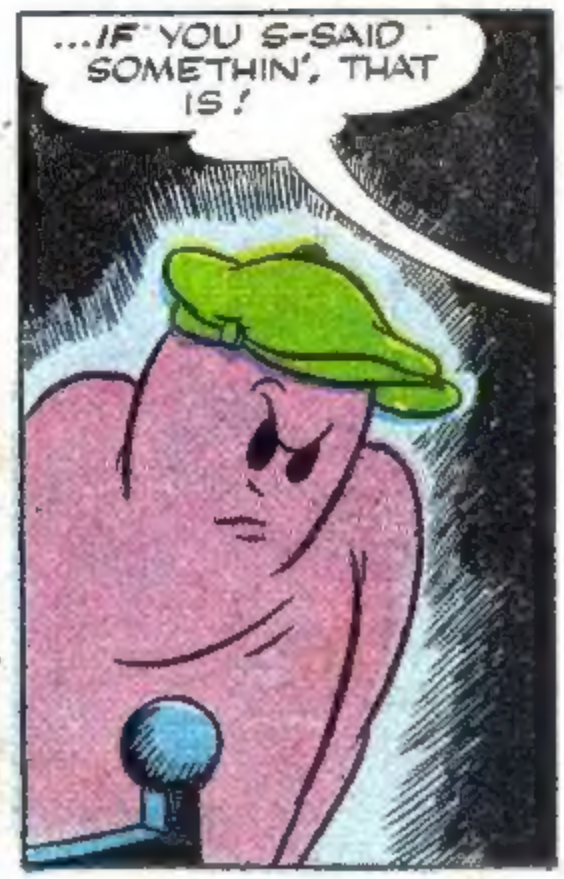
I MUST BE GITTIN' JUMPY! SHOWS WHAT IMAGINATION CAN DO TO YA!

FER INSTANCE, IF I WASN'T JUST IMAGININ' THINGS, I'D SWEAR I WAS SEEIN' THREE GHOSKS STANDIN' BY THIS BED!


TH-THEY MUST BE OPTICAL DELUSIONS, 'CAUSE IF THEY WERE GHOSKS, THEY'D BE SAYIN' "BOO"! GHOSKS ALLUS SAY "BOO"!
BOO!

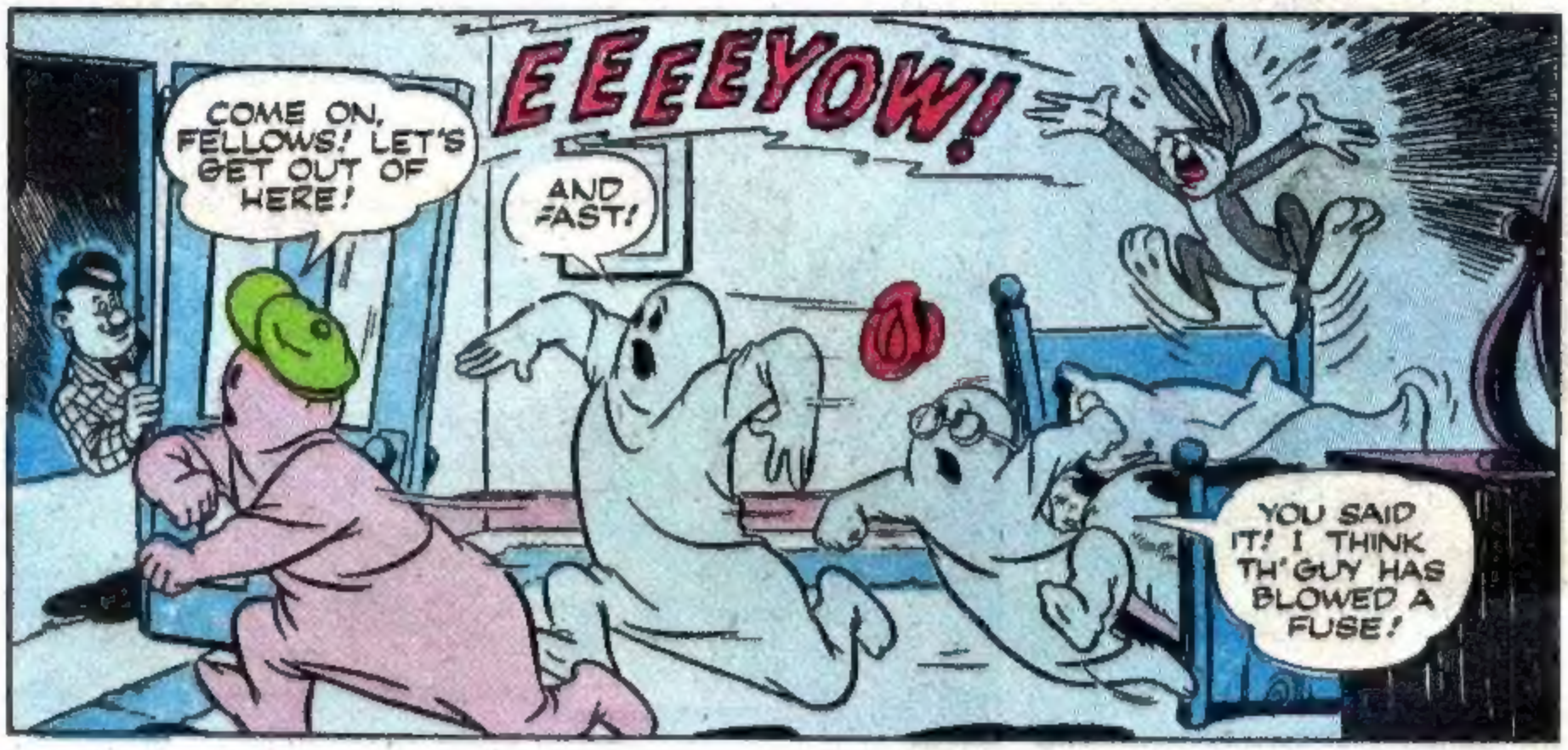
YIPE!! I PLUMB FERGOT THAT I'M WEARIN' EAR MUFFS!

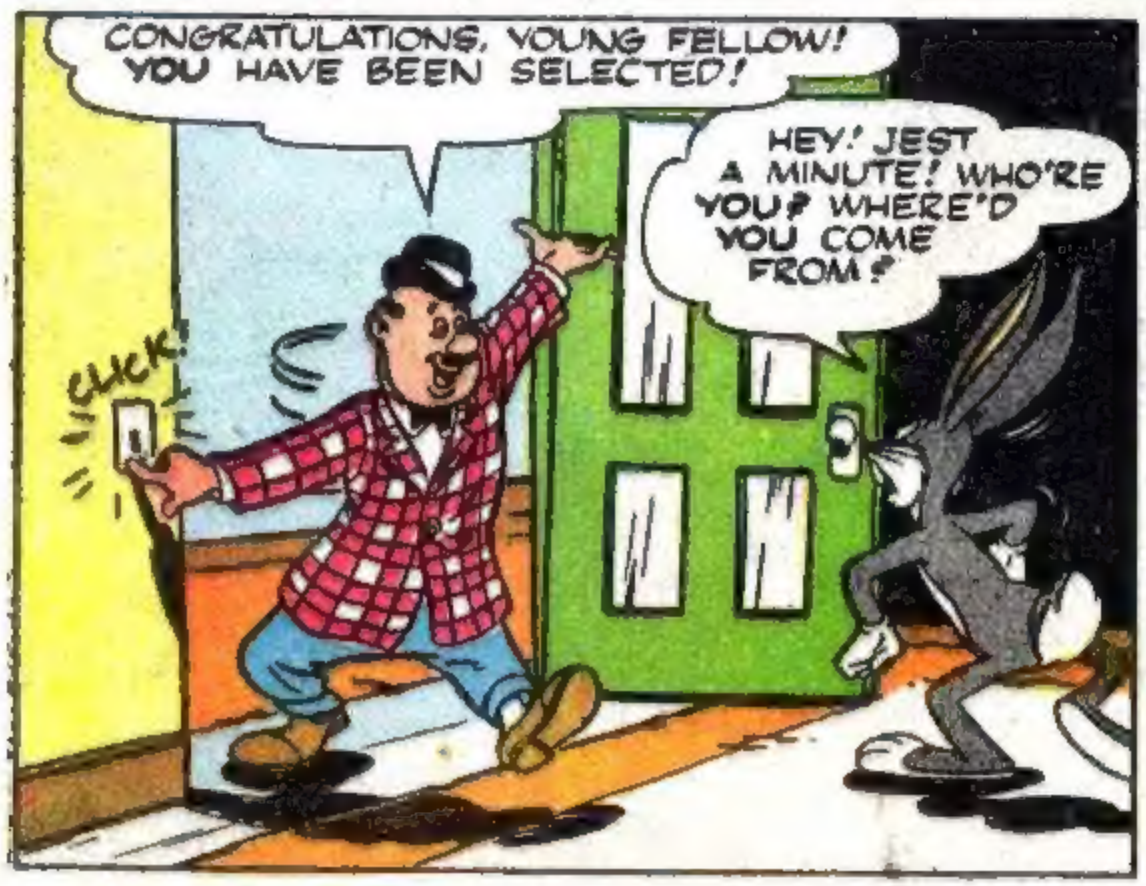
ER...W-W-WOULD ONE OF YOU F-FELLOWS MIND REPEATIN' THAT L-LAST REMARK?...


...IF YOU S-SAID SOMETHIN', THAT IS!

IT WILL BE A PLEASURE! WE SAID...

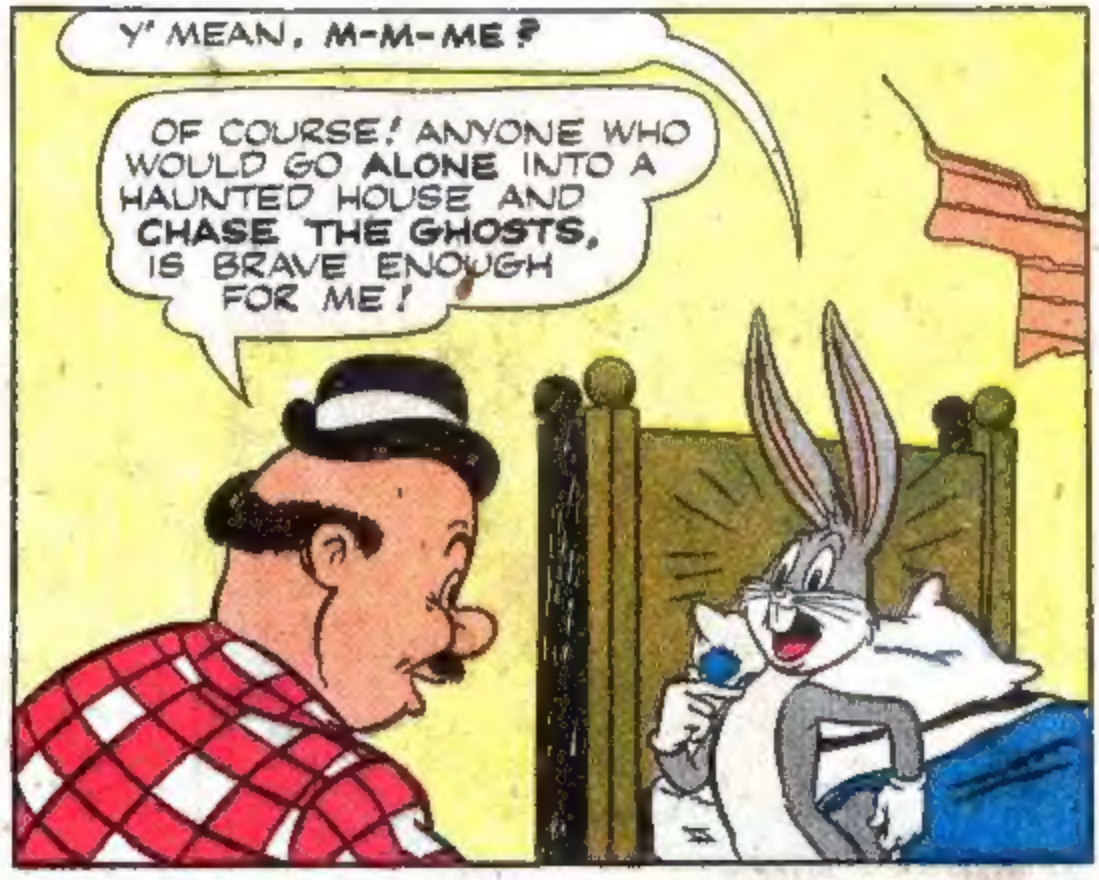
BOO!
THAT'S WHAT I WUZ AFRAID YOU SAID!


COME ON, FELLOWS! LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!
EEEEYOW!
AND FAST!
YOU SAID IT! I THINK TH' GUY HAS BLOWED A FUSE!


CONGRATULATIONS, YOUNG FELLOW! YOU HAVE BEEN SELECTED!
HEY! JEST A MINUTE! WHO'RE YOU? WHERE'D YOU COME FROM?
CLICK!

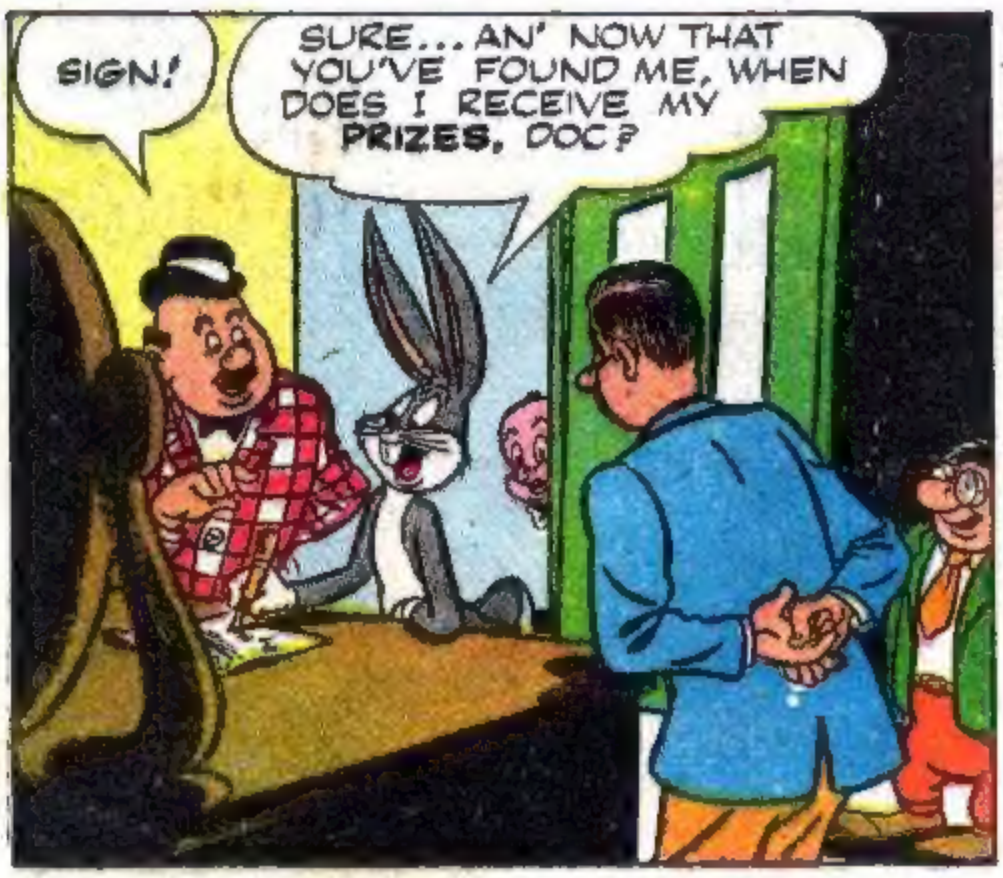
WHAT'S GOIN' ON HERE? A SECOND AGO THREE GHOSKS WENT RUNNIN' OUT THAT DOOR, AN' NOW YOU...
I KNOW! I SAW THEM RUN! IT WAS A PANIC!

YES, SIR! YOU'RE JUST THE ONE I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR!... SOMEONE THAT'S BRAVE.... DARING.... UTTERLY FEARLESS!

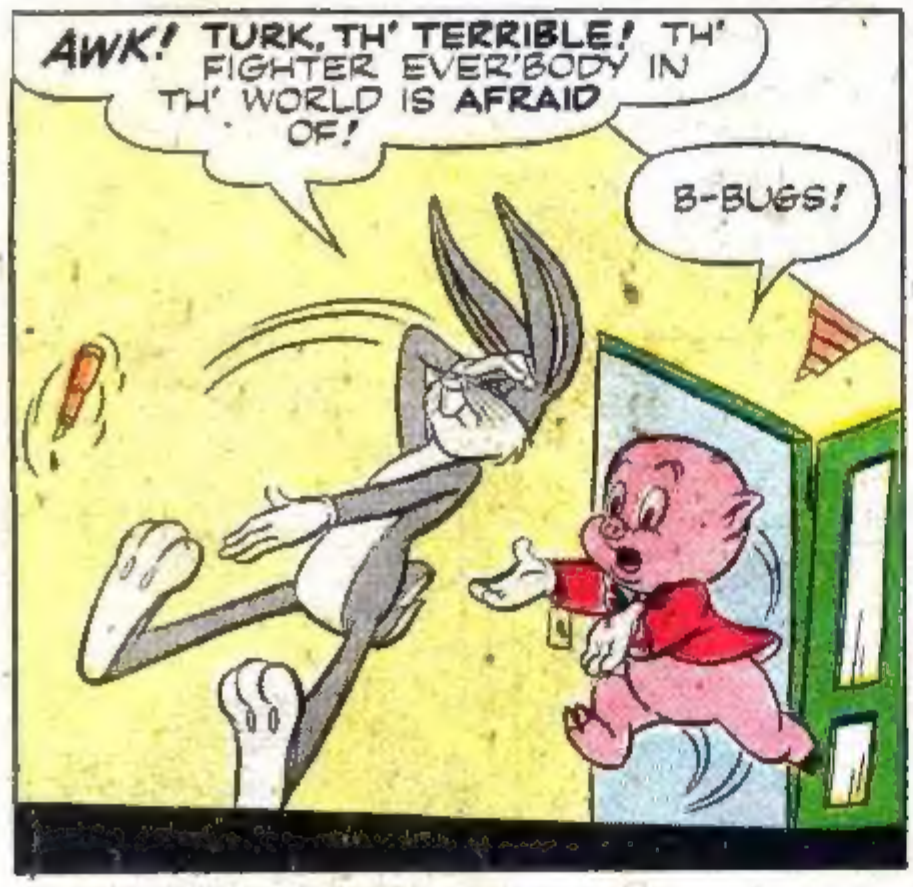

Y' MEAN, M-M-ME?
OF COURSE! ANYONE WHO WOULD GO ALONE INTO A HAUNTED HOUSE AND CHASE THE GHOSTS, IS BRAVE ENOUGH FOR ME!

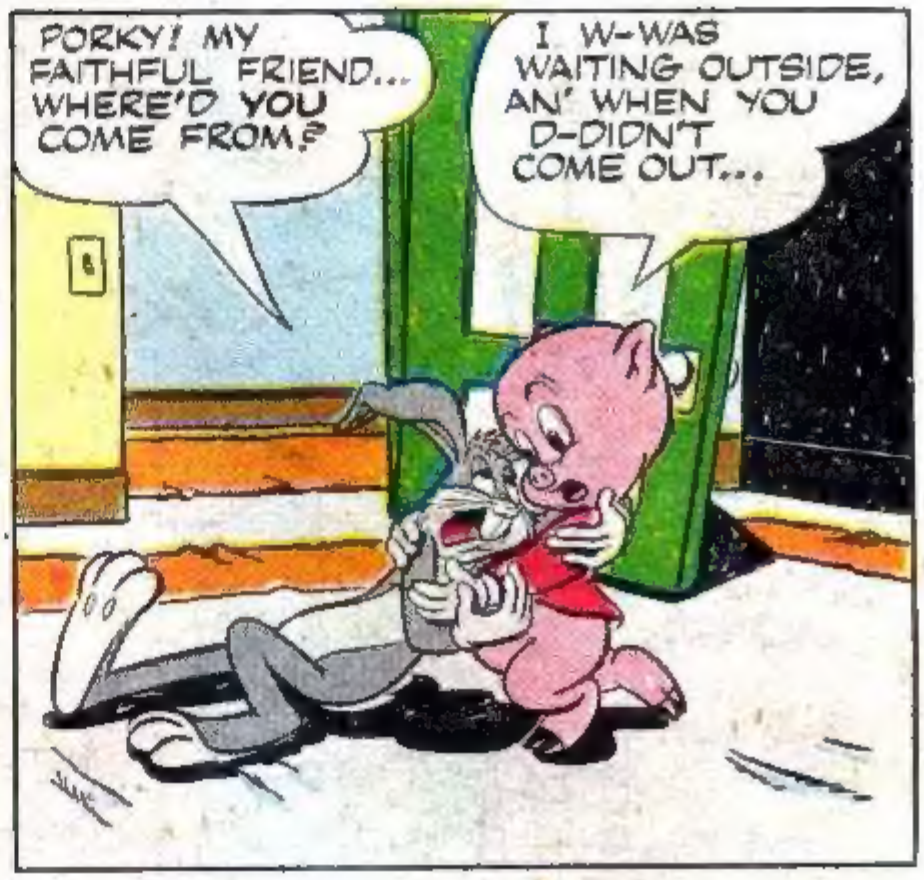
OKAY, "GHOSTS," YOU CAN COME BACK NOW!
SO! TH' WHOLE THING WAS A FAKE! BUT WHY'D YA DO IT?

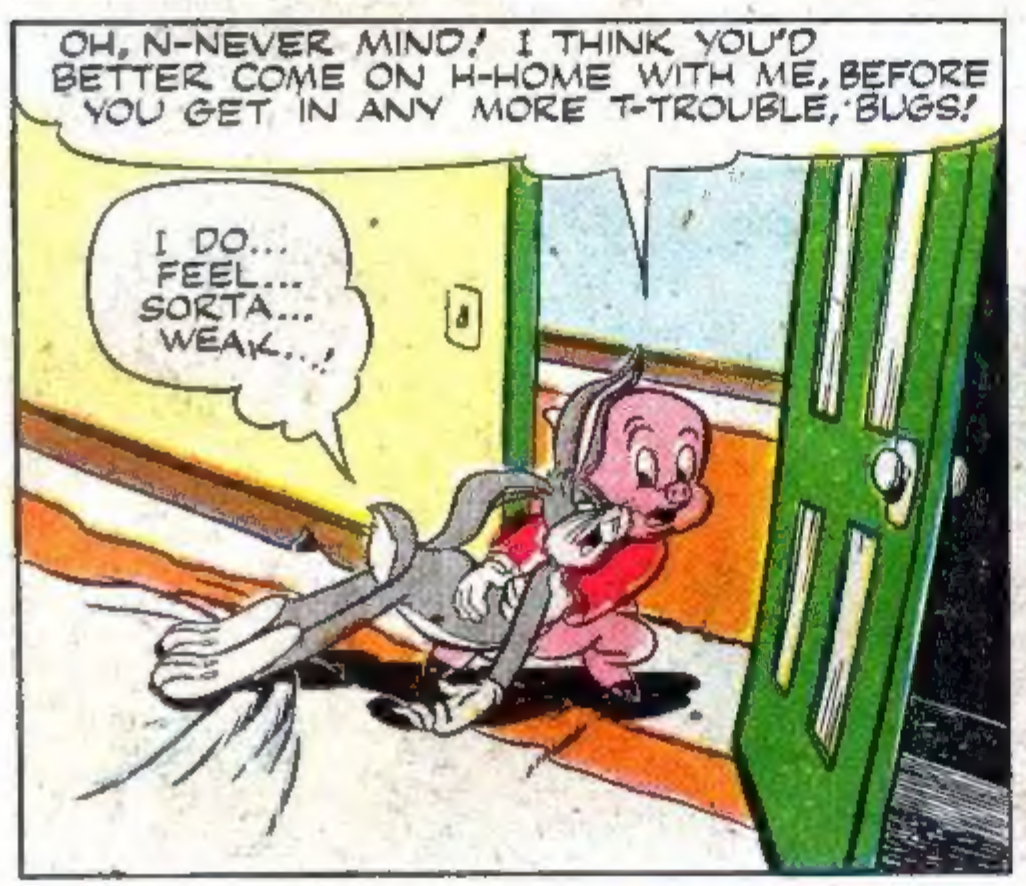
LIKE I SAID... I'VE BEEN LOOKIN' FOR THE WORLD'S BRAVEST PERSON! IF YOU'LL JUST SIGN ON THE DOTTED LINE...
CONTRACT


SIGN!
SURE... AN' NOW THAT YOU'VE FOUND ME, WHEN DOES I RECEIVE MY PRIZES, DOC?

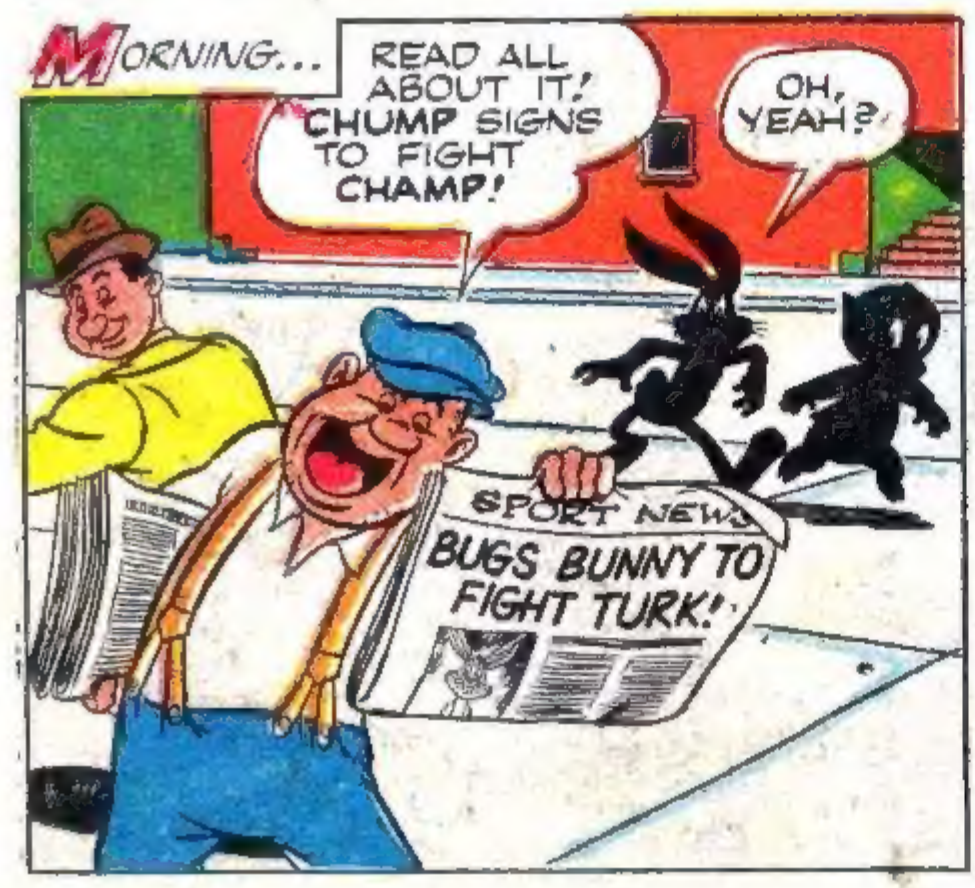
WHO SAID ANYTHING ABOUT PRIZES? YOU JUST SIGNED A NON-BREAKABLE CONTRACT TO FIGHT WITH TURK, THE TERRIBLE!

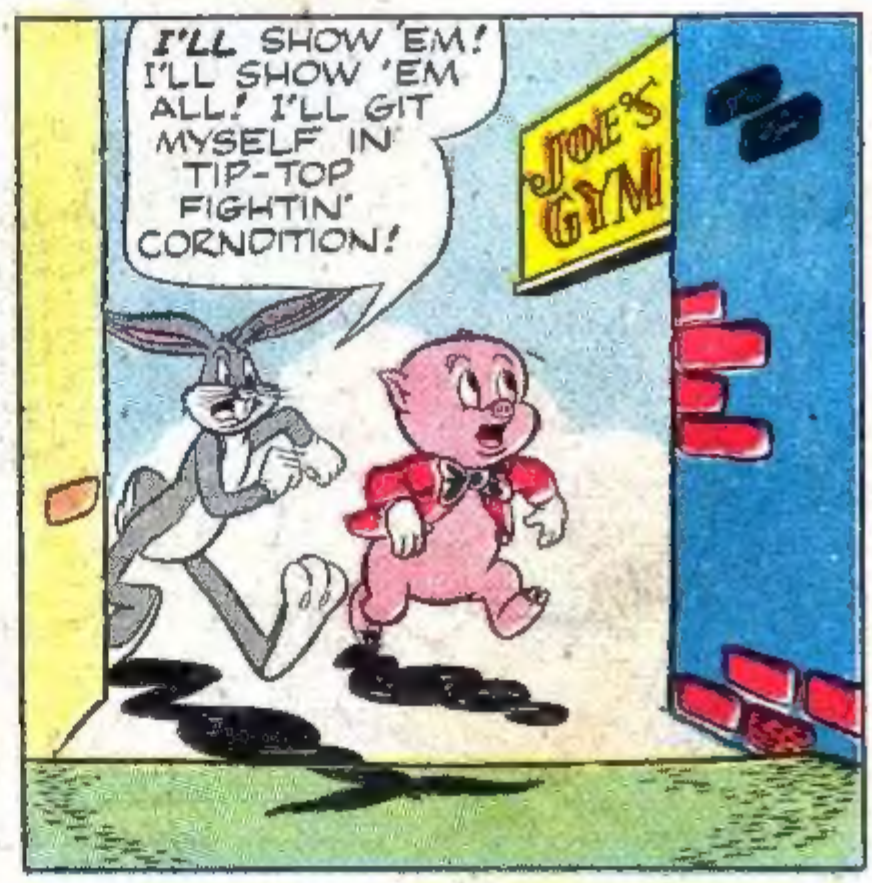

AWK! TURK, TH' TERRIBLE! TH' FIGHTER EVER'BODY IN TH' WORLD IS AFRAID OF!
B-BUGS!

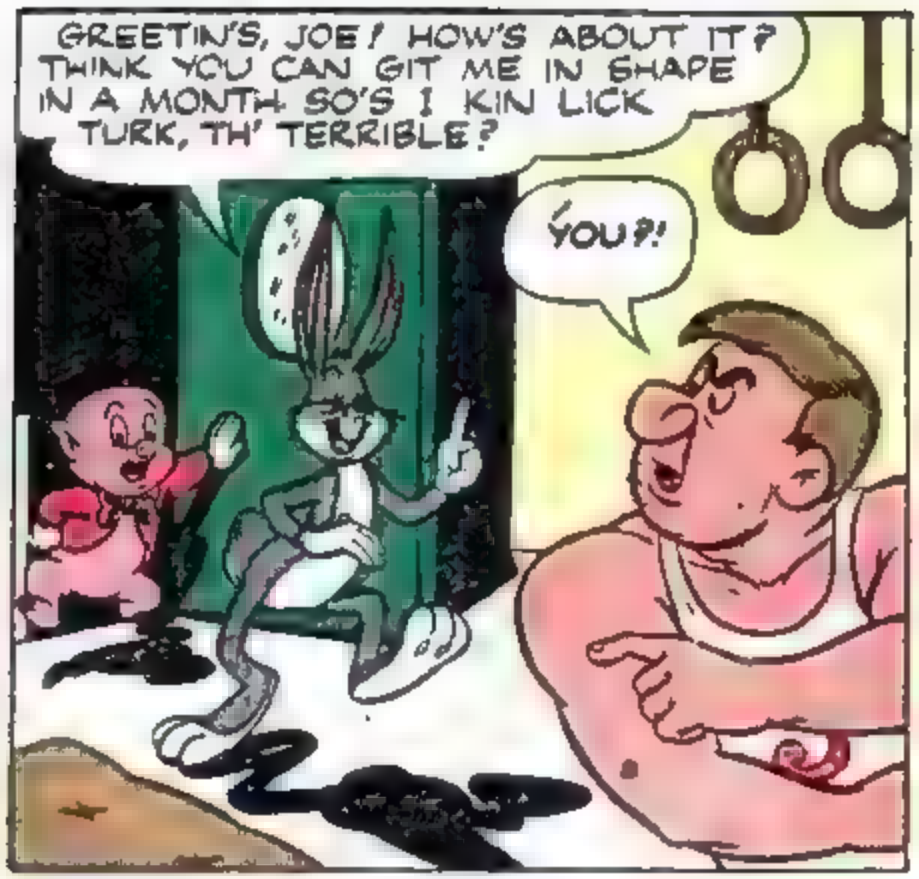

PORKY! MY FAITHFUL FRIEND... WHERE'D YOU COME FROM?
I W-WAS WAITING OUTSIDE, AN' WHEN YOU D-DIDN'T COME OUT...


OH, N-NEVER MIND! I THINK YOU'D BETTER COME ON H-HOME WITH ME, BEFORE YOU GET IN ANY MORE T-TROUBLE, BUGS!
I DO... FEEL... SORTA... WEAK...!

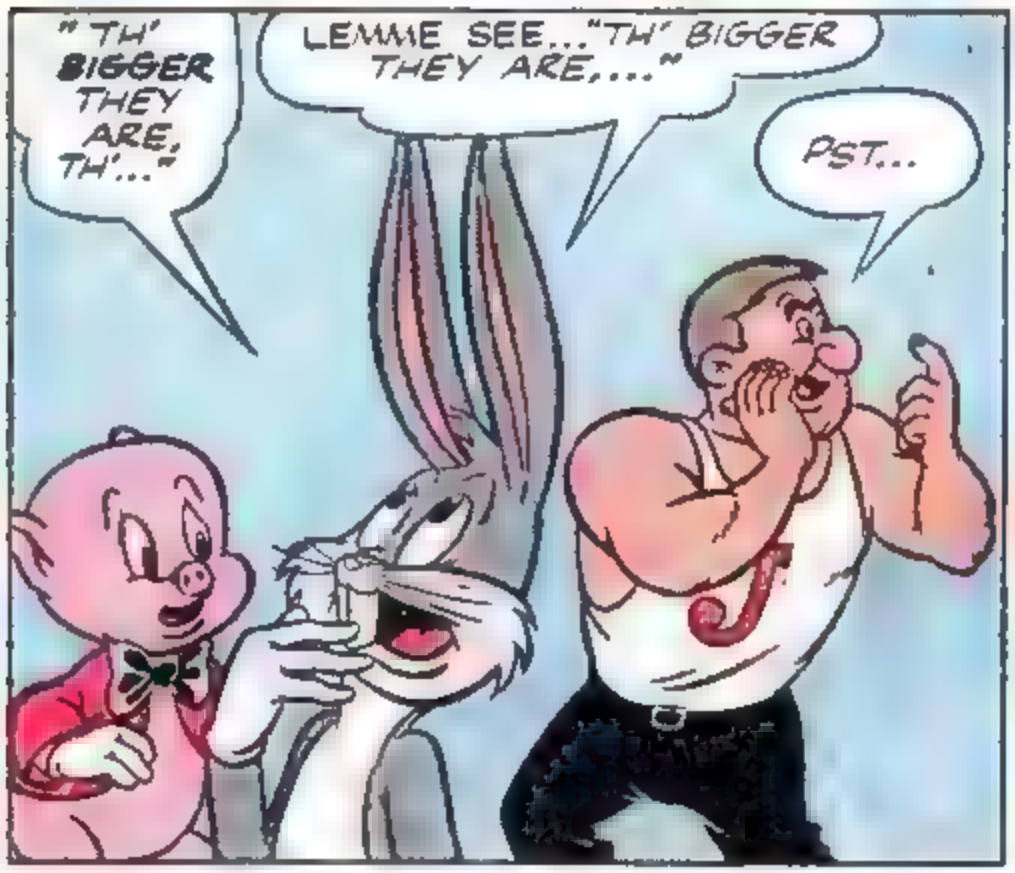
LATER, AT PORKY'S HOUSE...
DIDN'T YOU KNOW YOU SHOULD ALWAYS R-READ A THING BEFORE S-SIGNING IT?
BUT I THOUGHT HE WUZ WITH ONE O' THEM RADIO GIVEAWAY SHOWS!


MORNING...
READ ALL ABOUT IT! CHUMP SIGNS TO FIGHT CHAMP!
OH, YEAH?
SPORT NEWS
BUGS BUNNY TO FIGHT TURK!

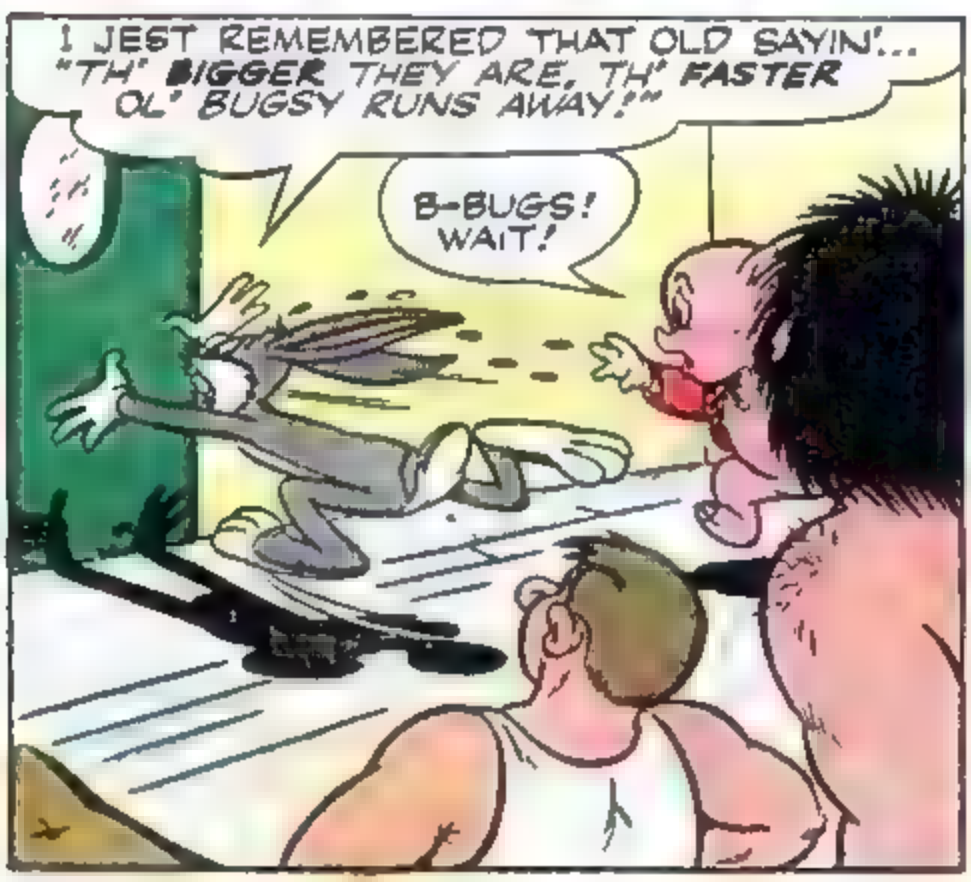

I'LL SHOW 'EM! I'LL SHOW 'EM ALL! I'LL GIT MYSELF IN TIP-TOP FIGHTIN' CORNDITION!
JOE'S GYM


GREETIN'S, JOE! HOW'S ABOUT IT? THINK YOU CAN GIT ME IN SHAPE IN A MONTH SO'S I KIN LICK TURK, TH' TERRIBLE?
YOU?!

HA, HA! HO, HO!
WELL! WHAT'S SO HOOMEROUS? YOU KNOW TH' OLD SAYIN'...


"TH' BIGGER THEY ARE, TH'..."
LEMME SEE..."TH' BIGGER THEY ARE,..."
PST...

BUGS, MEET TURK, THE TERRIBLE... HE'S TRAINING IN MY GYM, TOO!
Y' MEAN, THAT'S...? H-HE'S...?


I JEST REMEMBERED THAT OLD SAYIN'... "TH' BIGGER THEY ARE, TH' FASTER OL' BUGSY RUNS AWAY!"
B-BUGS! WAIT!

R-RUNNING AWAY WON'T HELP! YOU M-MAY AS WELL FACE IT! YOU'VE G-GOT TO FIGHT HIM!
YER SO RIGHT, PORKY!

BUT I AIMS T' DO SOMETHIN' ABOUT IT! I'LL SEE IF TH' LIB'ARY HAS ANY BOOKS ON FIGHTIN'!

PUBLIC LIBRARY

G-GOOD IDEA! I'LL HELP YOU L-LOOK!

TH' LADY SAID I'D FIND TH' FIGHTIN' BOOKS ON THIS SHELF...

FAMOUS PUGILIST

PUGILISM Made Easy

HMPH! TAIN'T NOTHIN' HERE BUT A MESS O' BOOKS ABOUT PUGILS!

QUIET, Please

W-WOW!

COME HERE, B-BUGS! QUICK!

DIDJA FIND A BOOK ON FIGHTIN'?

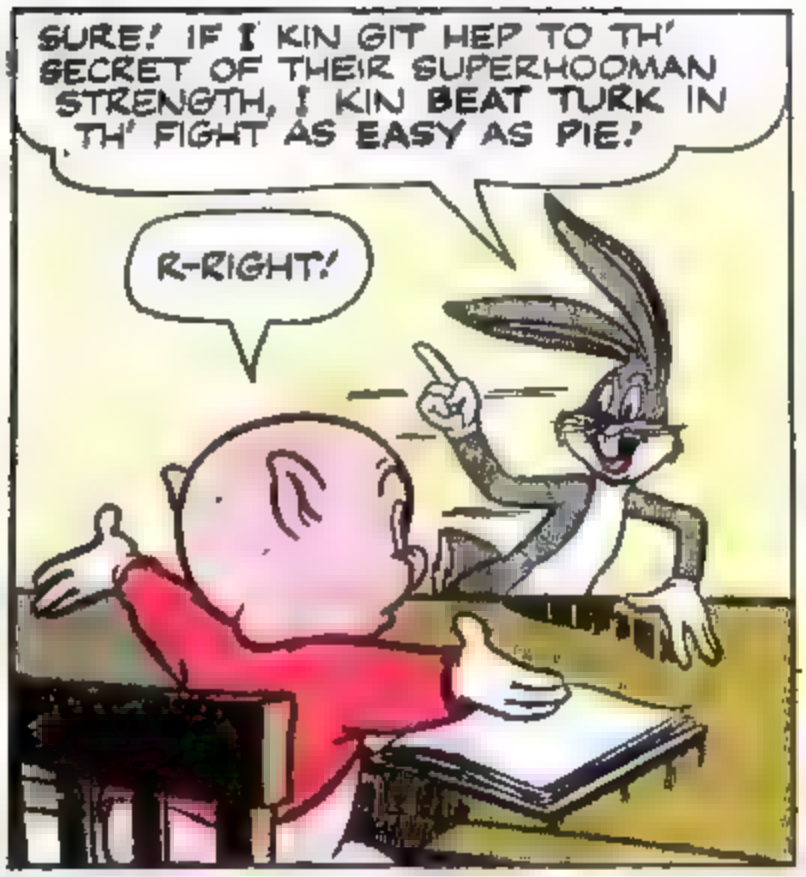
B-BETTER'N THAT! L-LISTEN TO WHAT I FOUND IN THIS ENCYCLOPEDIA!

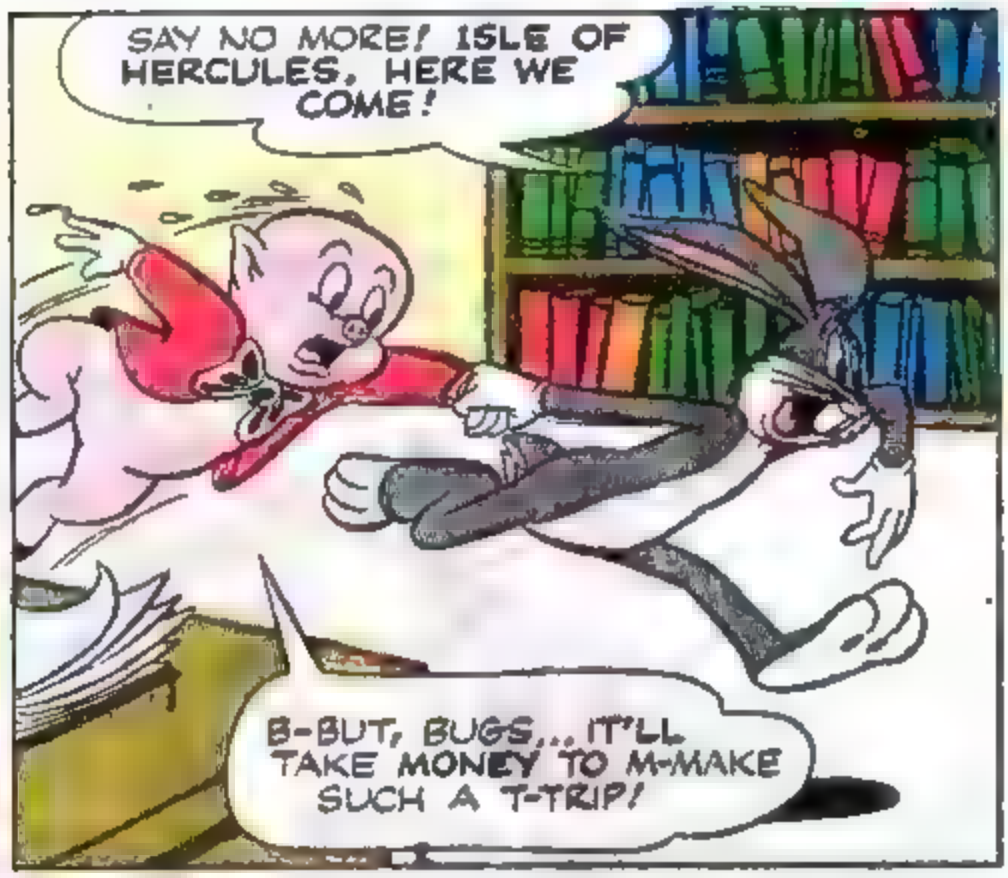
QUI Plea

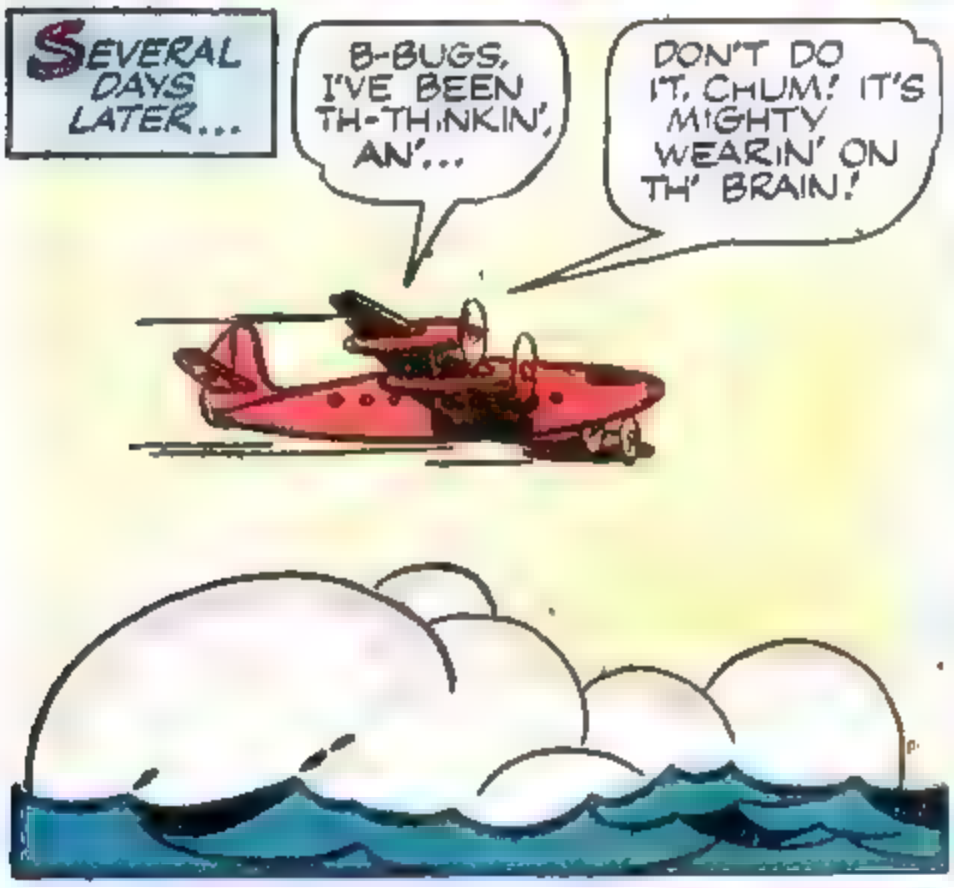
"IN THE SOUTH SEAS L-LIES THE **ISLE OF HERCULES**, A SMALL ISLAND S-SAID TO BE INHABITED BY A RACE OF PEOPLE WITH S-SUPERHUMAN STRENGTH! THE SECRET OF THEIR UNUSUAL S-STRENGTH HAS BEEN CAREFULLY G-GUARDED BY THE NATIVES FOR G-GENERATIONS!"

SO WHAT?

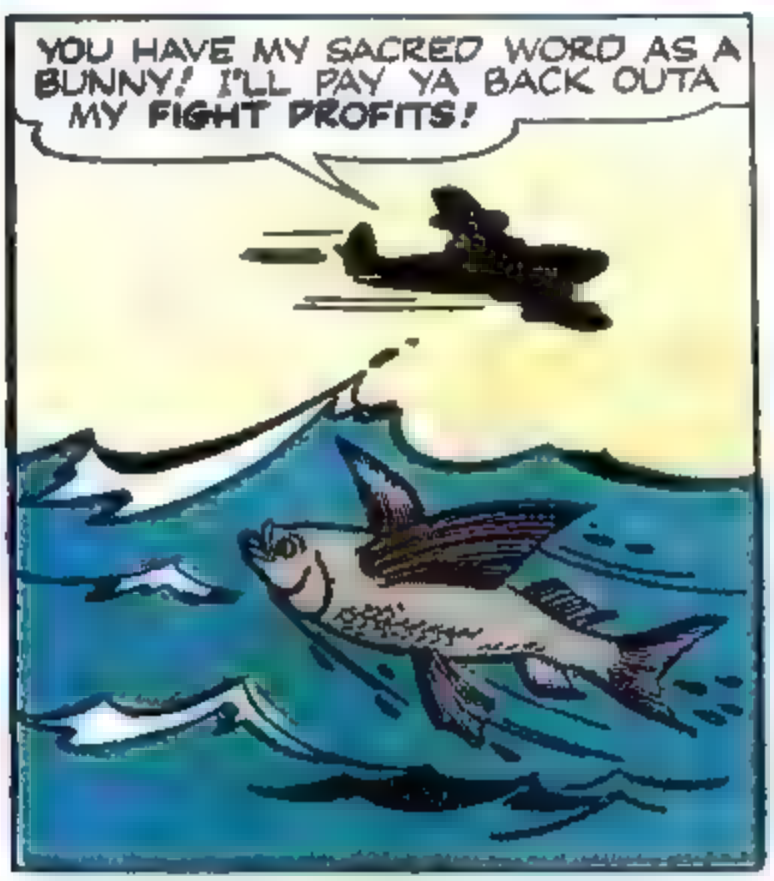
D-DON'T YOU SEE, BUGS? TURK, TH' T-TERRIBLE, WOULD BE A P-PUSH-OVER FOR YOU IF...

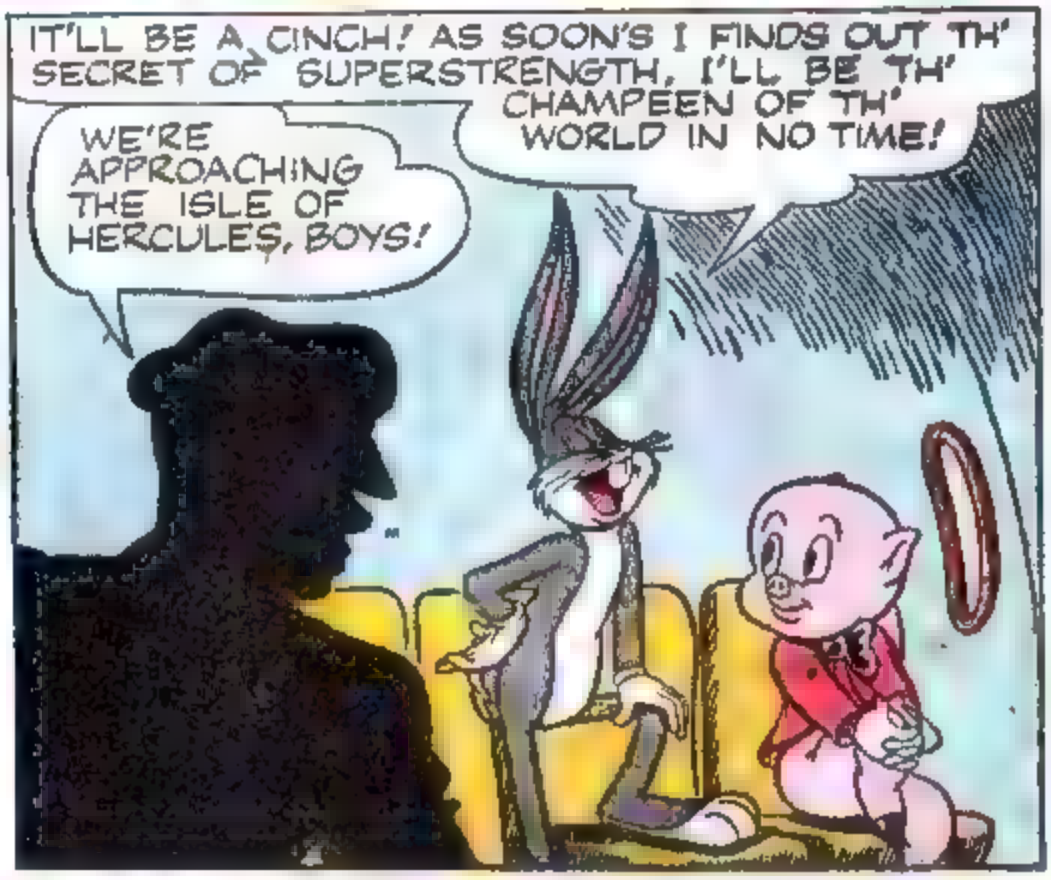

SURE! IF I KIN GIT HEP TO TH' SECRET OF THEIR SUPERHOOMAN STRENGTH, I KIN BEAT TURK IN TH' FIGHT AS EASY AS PIE!
R-RIGHT!


SAY NO MORE! ISLE OF HERCULES, HERE WE COME!
B-BUT, BUGS... IT'LL TAKE MONEY TO M-MAKE SUCH A T-TRIP!


SEVERAL DAYS LATER...
B-BUGS, I'VE BEEN TH-THINKIN', AN'...
DON'T DO IT, CHUM! IT'S MIGHTY WEARIN' ON TH' BRAIN!

B-BUT I STILL DON'T KNOW IF I D-DID RIGHT... BORROWING THE MONEY ON MY HOUSE, S-SO WE COULD COME OUT HERE!
RELAX, PAL...


YOU HAVE MY SACRED WORD AS A BUNNY! I'LL PAY YA BACK OUTA MY FIGHT PROFITS!


IT'LL BE A CINCH! AS SOON'S I FINDS OUT TH' SECRET OF SUPERSTRENGTH, I'LL BE TH' CHAMPEEN OF TH' WORLD IN NO TIME!
WE'RE APPROACHING THE ISLE OF HERCULES, BOYS!

I SUPPOSE WE FASTENS OUR BELTS FOR A LANDING?

LANDING? WHY, I THOUGHT YOU KNEW... THERE'S NO LANDING FIELD ON THE ISLE OF HERCULES!

THERE AIN'T?! THEN HOW DO WE...?

DOES THIS ANSWER YOUR QUESTION?

LITTLE "SNAZZY" PARACHUTE

HEY! I FERGOT TO ASK... HOW DO YA GET OFF THIS ISLAND?

G-GUESS HE DIDN'T HEAR Y-YOU!

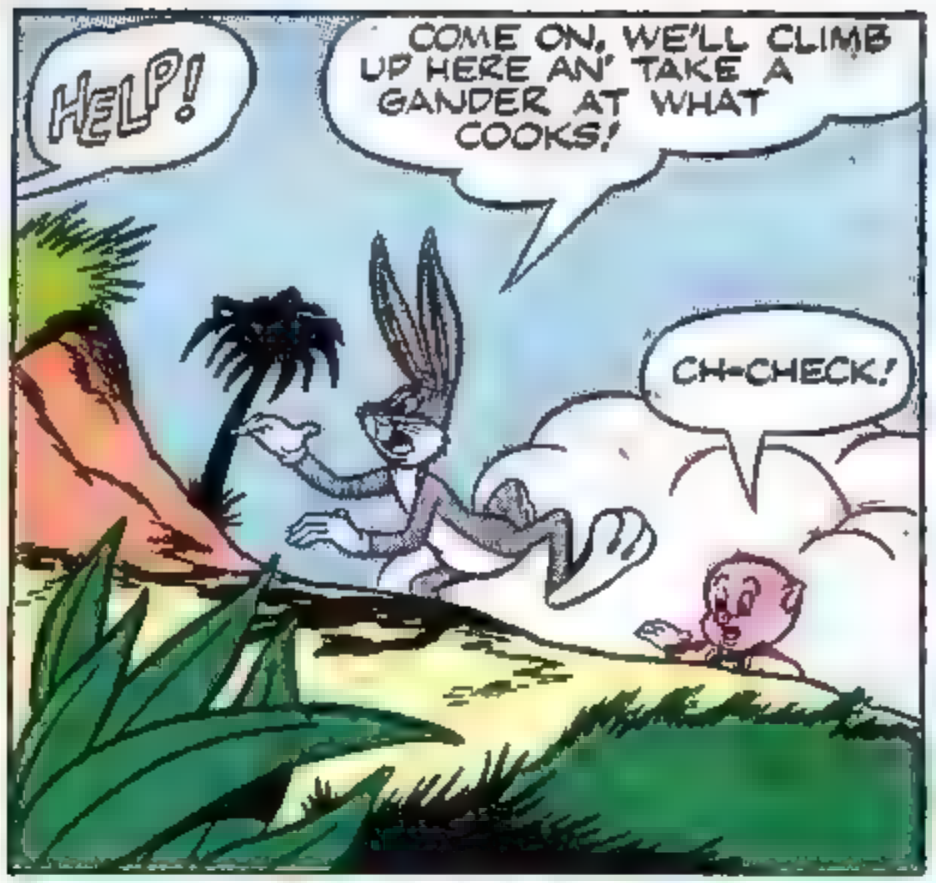
OH, WELL... WE'LL WORRY ABOUT THAT WHEN TH' TIME COMES!

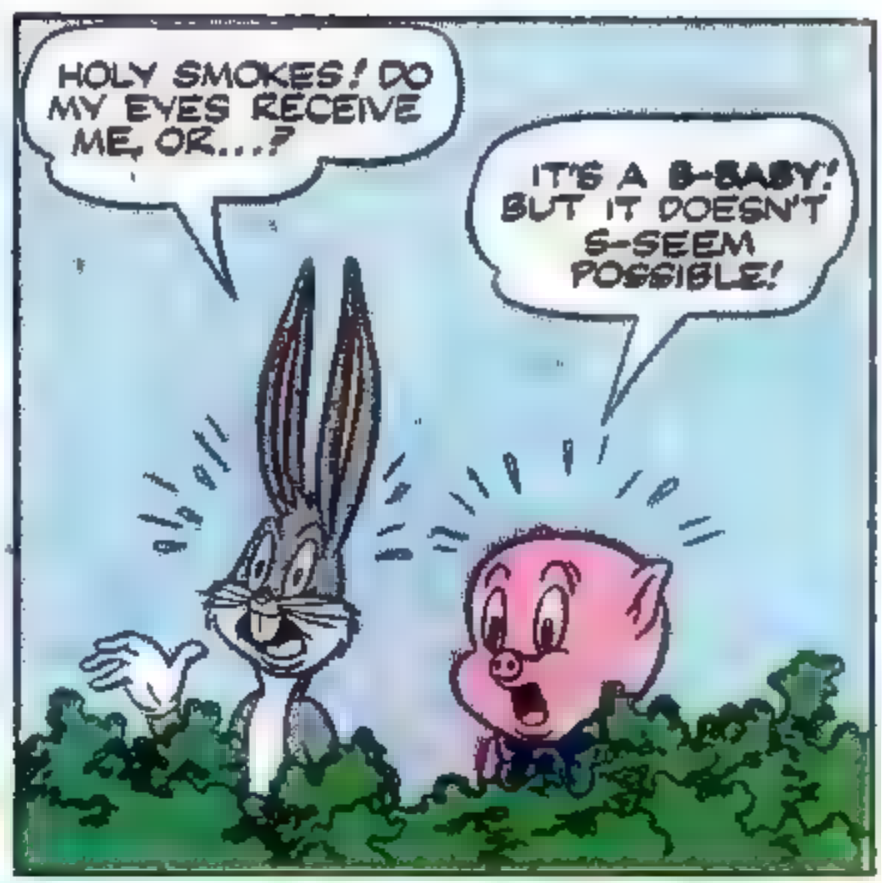
LET'S HURRY AN' GIT OUTA THESE CONTRAPTIONS, SO WE KIN HAVE A LOOK AROUND!

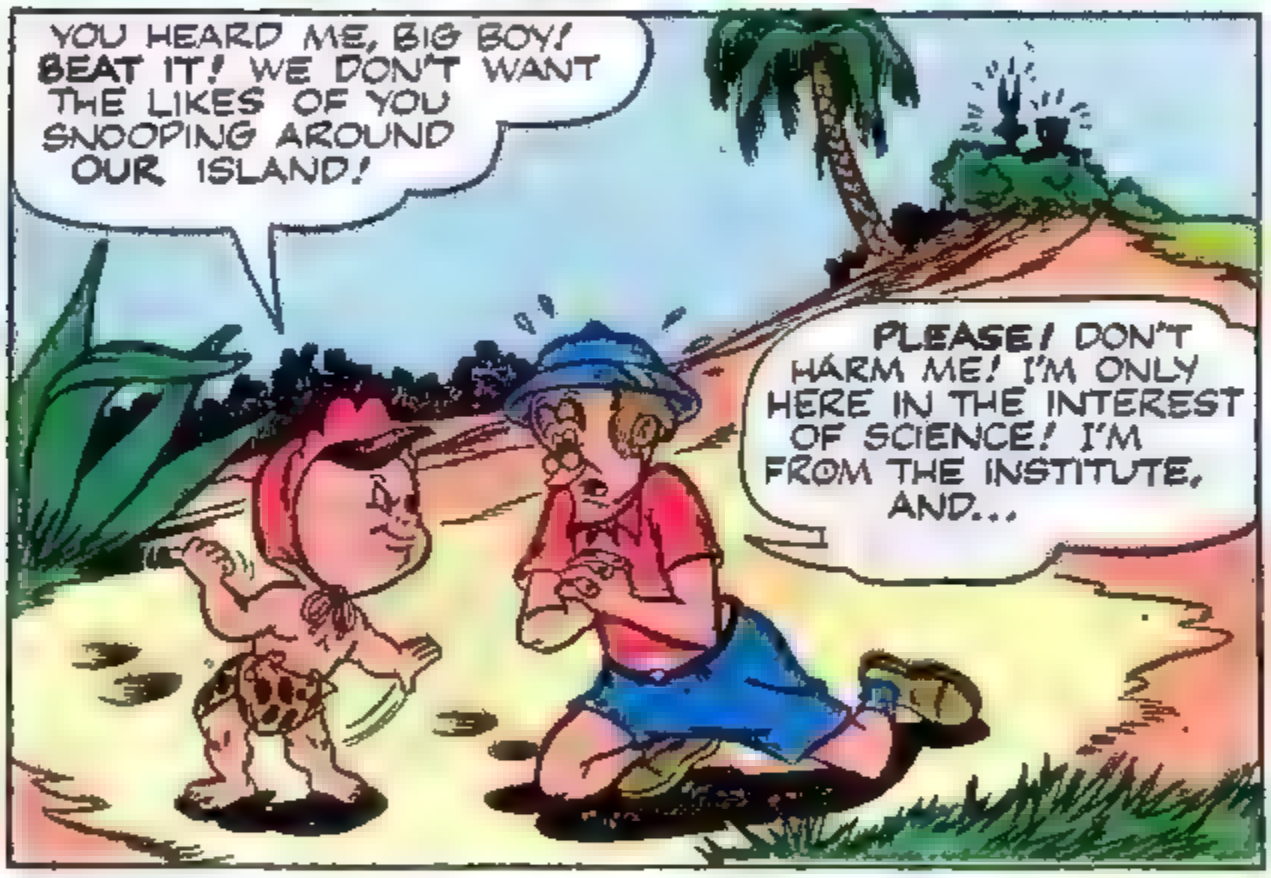
HELP! HELP!

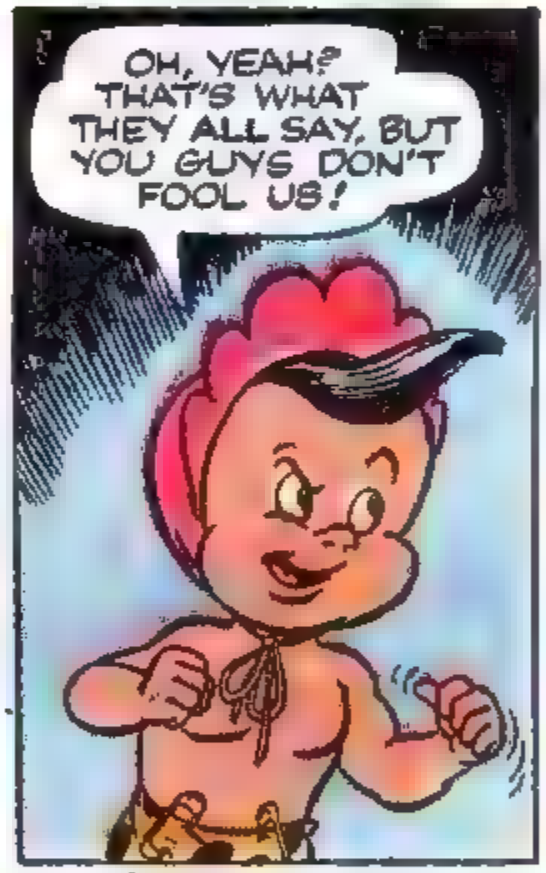
UH, OH! SOUNDS LIKE TROUBLE AFEET...ER, AFOOT!

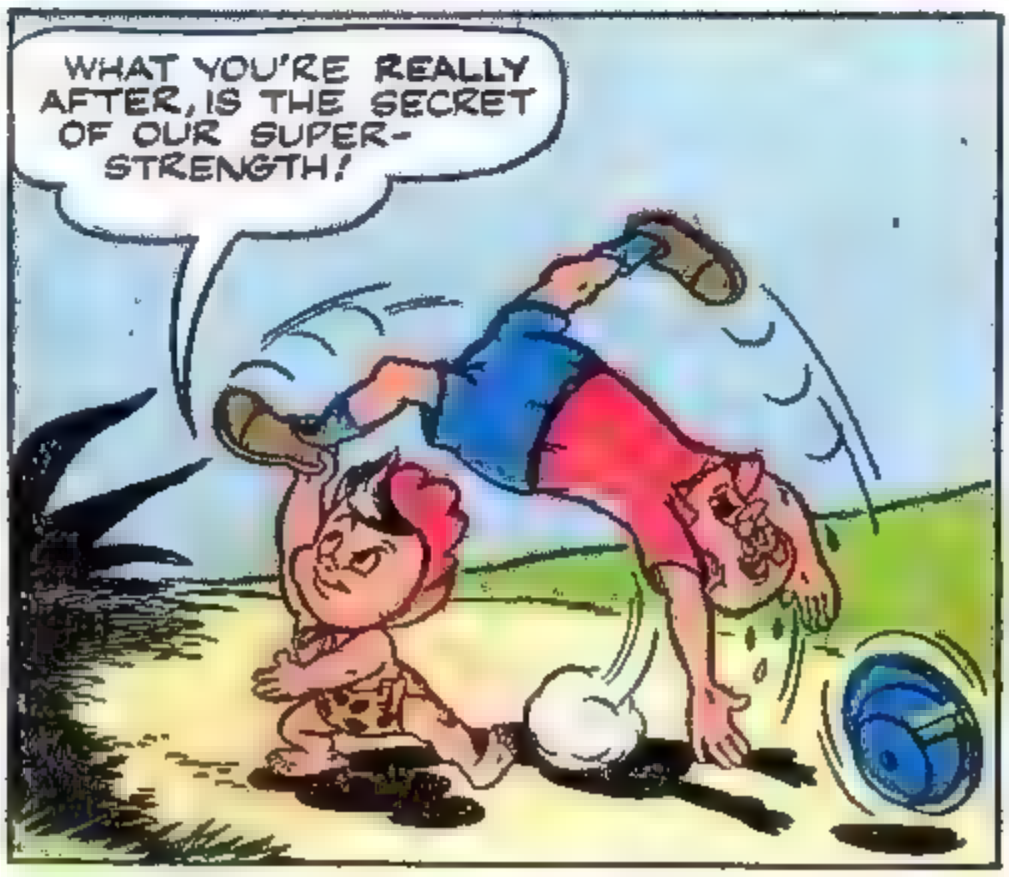
S-SURE DOES!


HELP!
COME ON, WE'LL CLIMB UP HERE AN' TAKE A GANDER AT WHAT COOKS!
CH-CHECK!


HOLY SMOKES! DO MY EYES RECEIVE ME, OR...?
IT'S A B-BABY! BUT IT DOESN'T S-SEEM POSSIBLE!

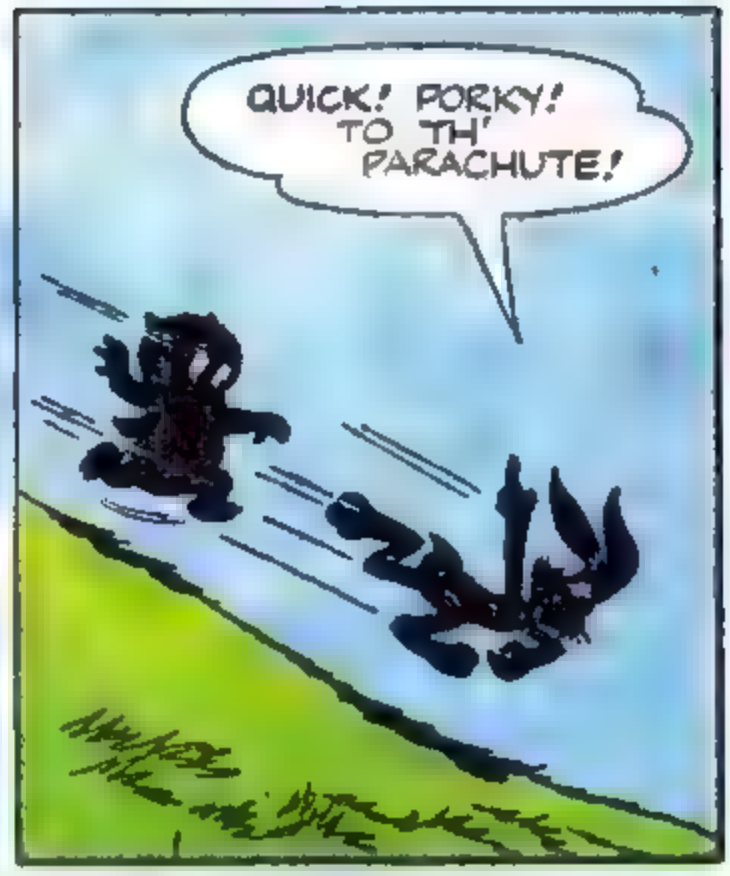

YOU HEARD ME, BIG BOY! BEAT IT! WE DON'T WANT THE LIKES OF YOU SNOOPING AROUND OUR ISLAND!
PLEASE! DON'T HARM ME! I'M ONLY HERE IN THE INTEREST OF SCIENCE! I'M FROM THE INSTITUTE, AND...

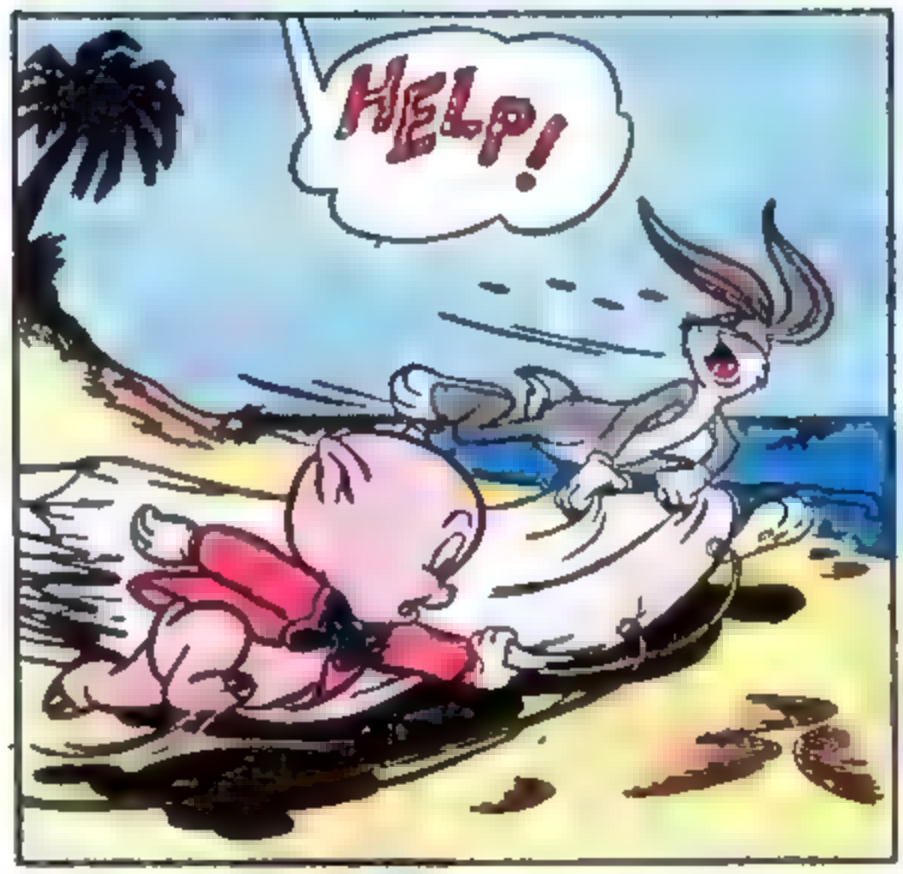

OH, YEAH? THAT'S WHAT THEY ALL SAY, BUT YOU GUYS DON'T FOOL US!

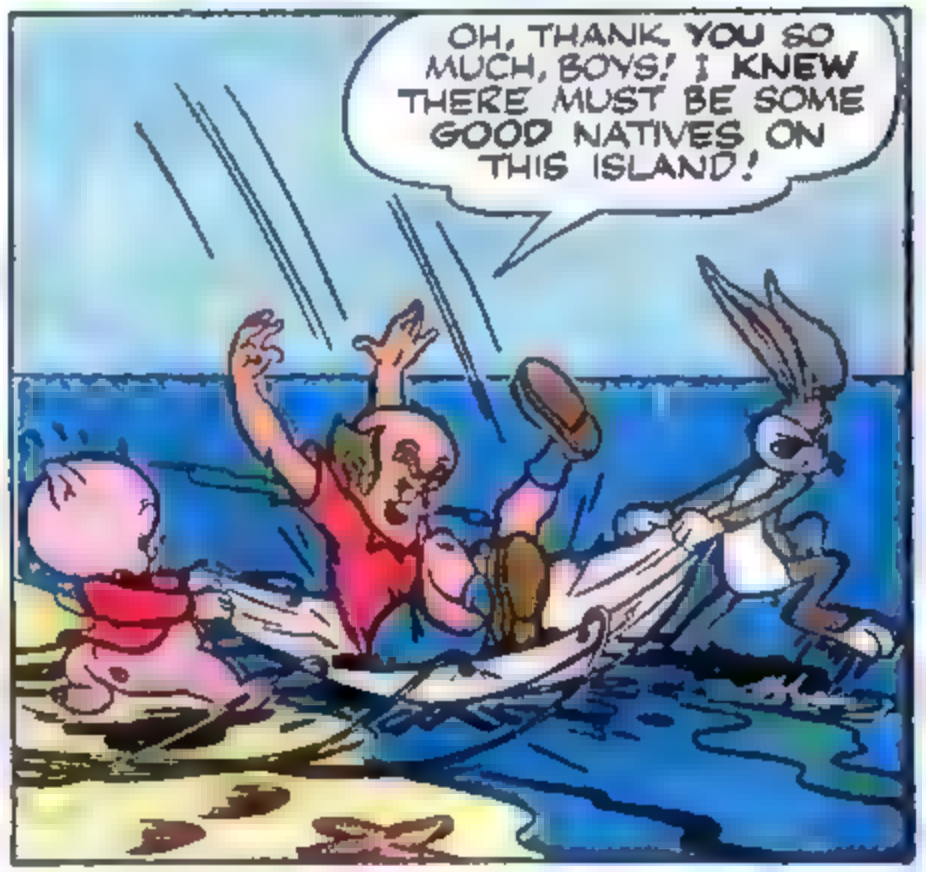

WHAT YOU'RE REALLY AFTER, IS THE SECRET OF OUR SUPER-STRENGTH!

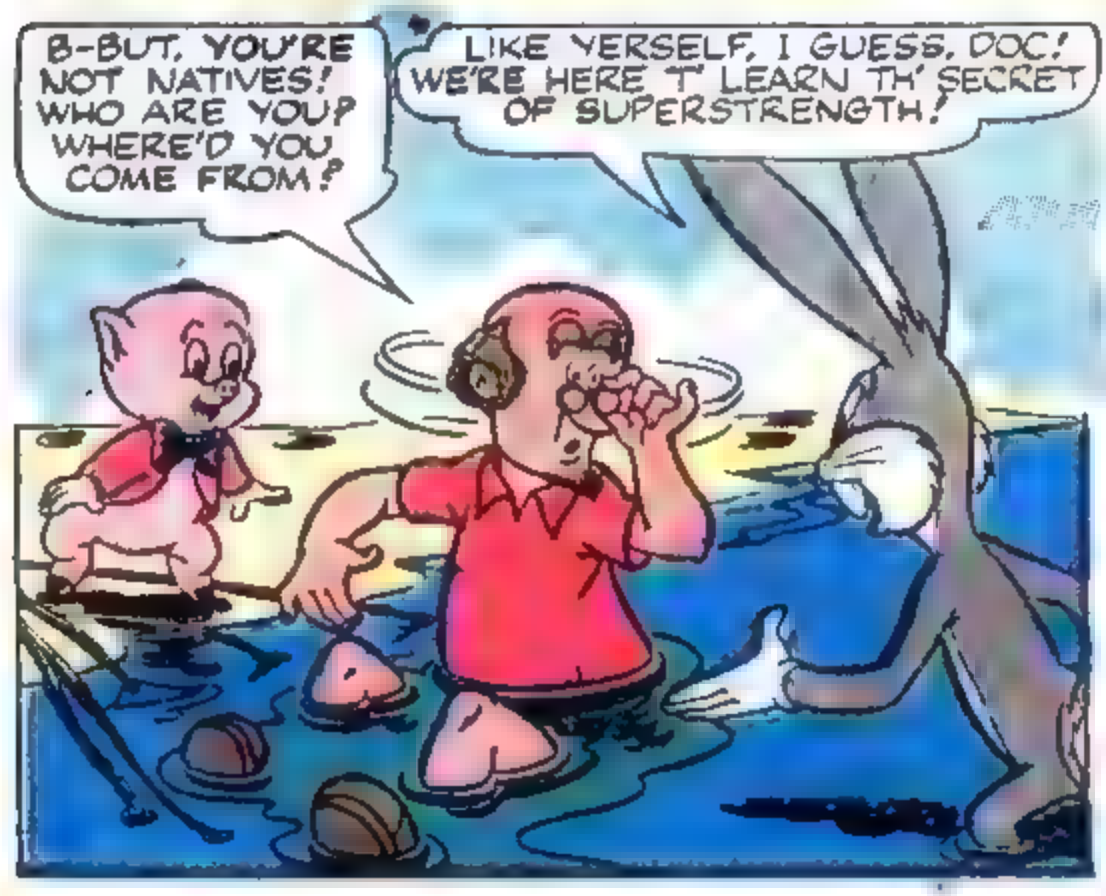
HELP! PLEASE SPARE ME!
MAYBE THIS WILL TEACH YOU NOSEY CRITTERS TO LEAVE US NATIVES ALONE!

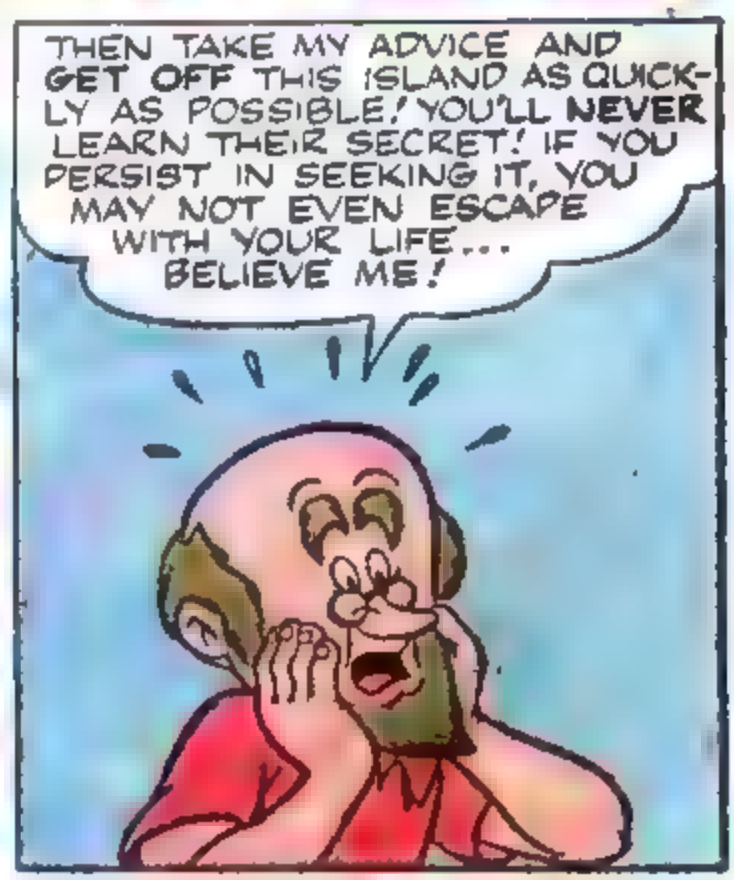
HELP!
OMIGOSH! THAT LI'L INFUNK TOSSED THAT PORE FELLER THROUGH TH' AIR LIKE HE WUZ A FEATHER!

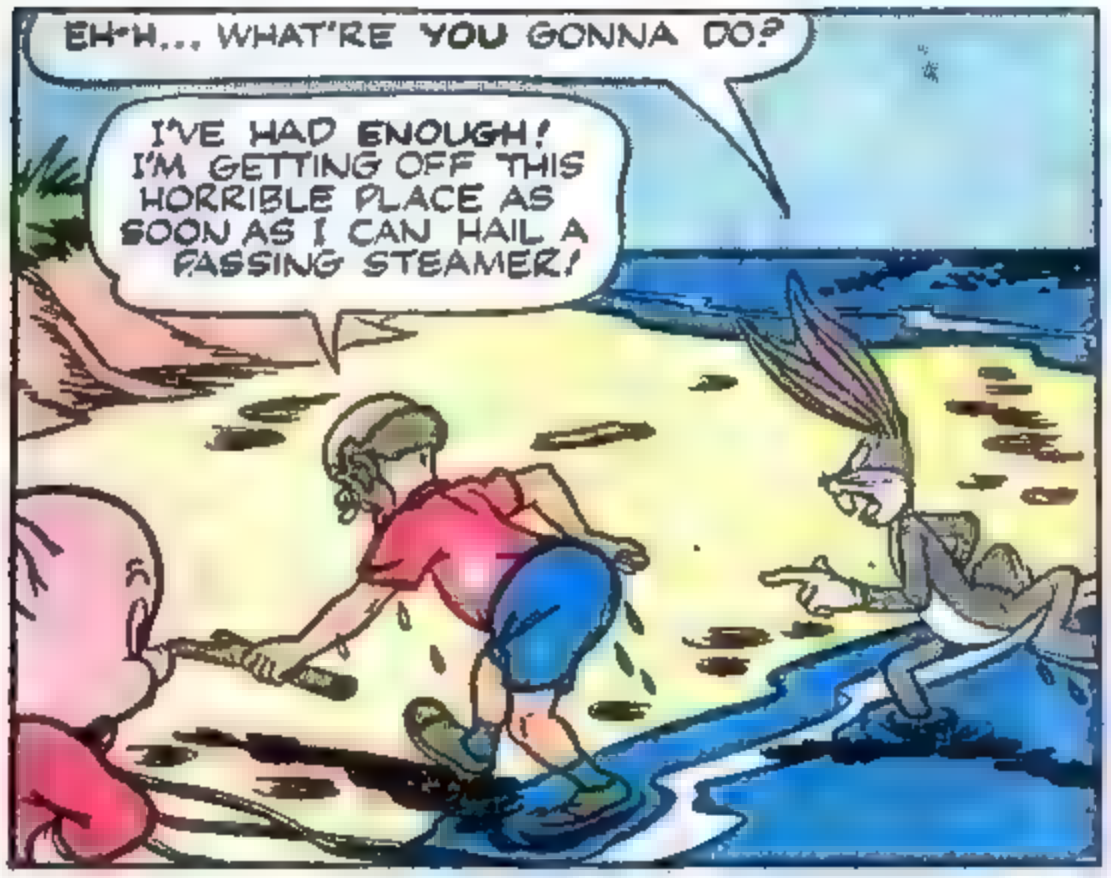

QUICK! PORKY! TO TH' PARACHUTE!

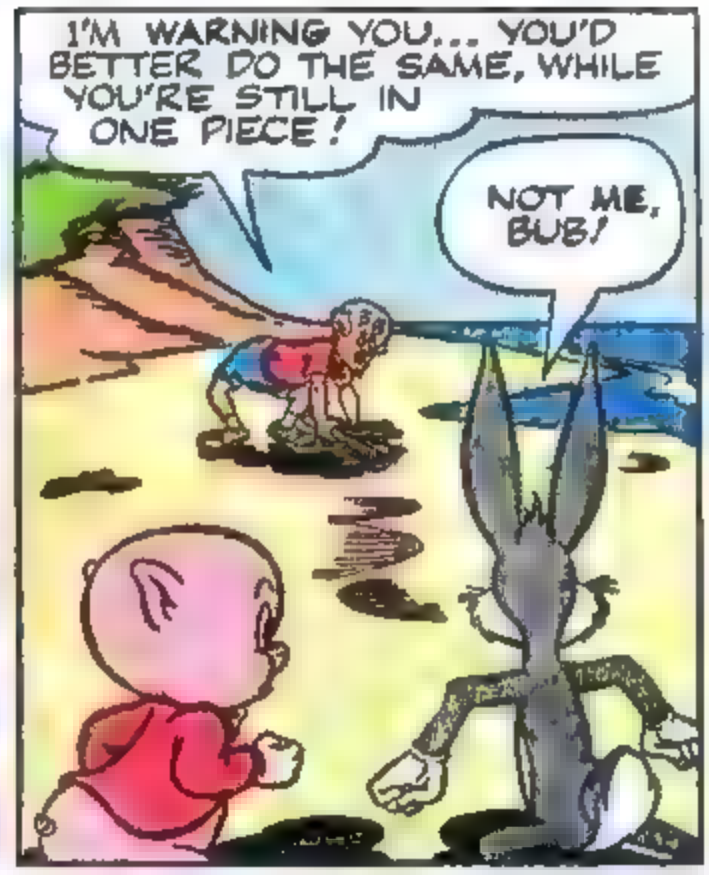

HELP!

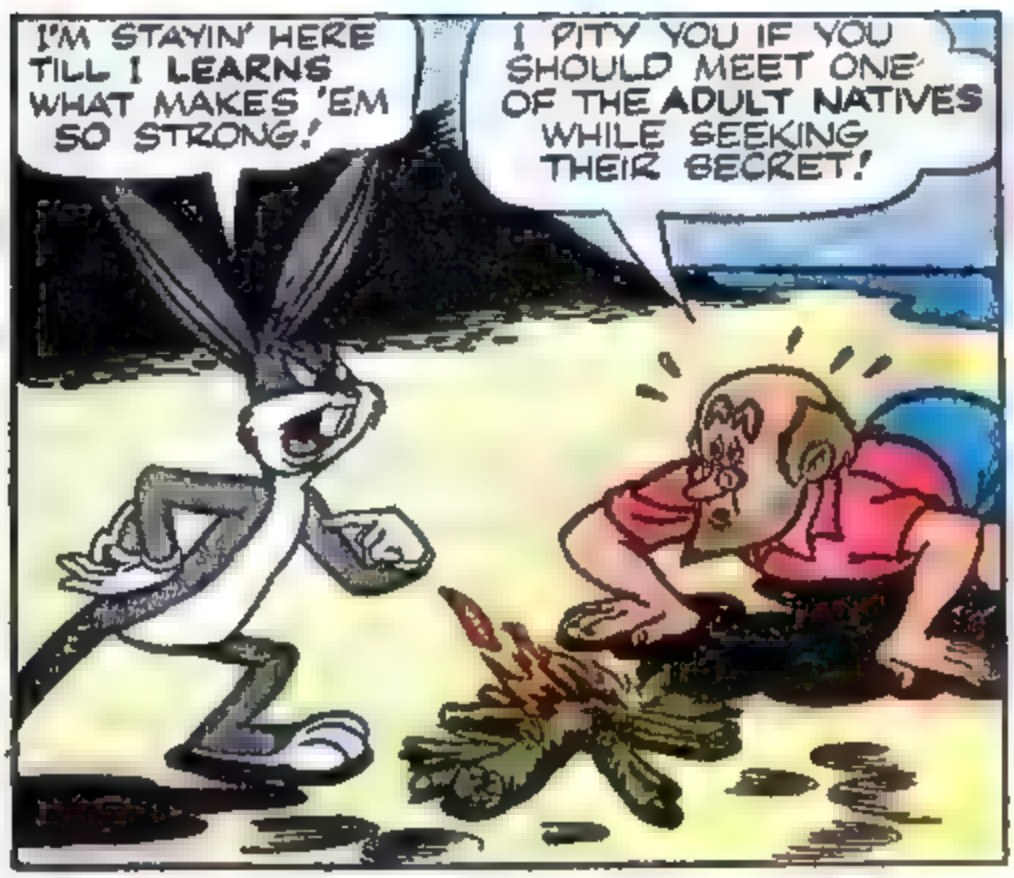

OH, THANK YOU SO MUCH, BOYS! I KNEW THERE MUST BE SOME GOOD NATIVES ON THIS ISLAND!

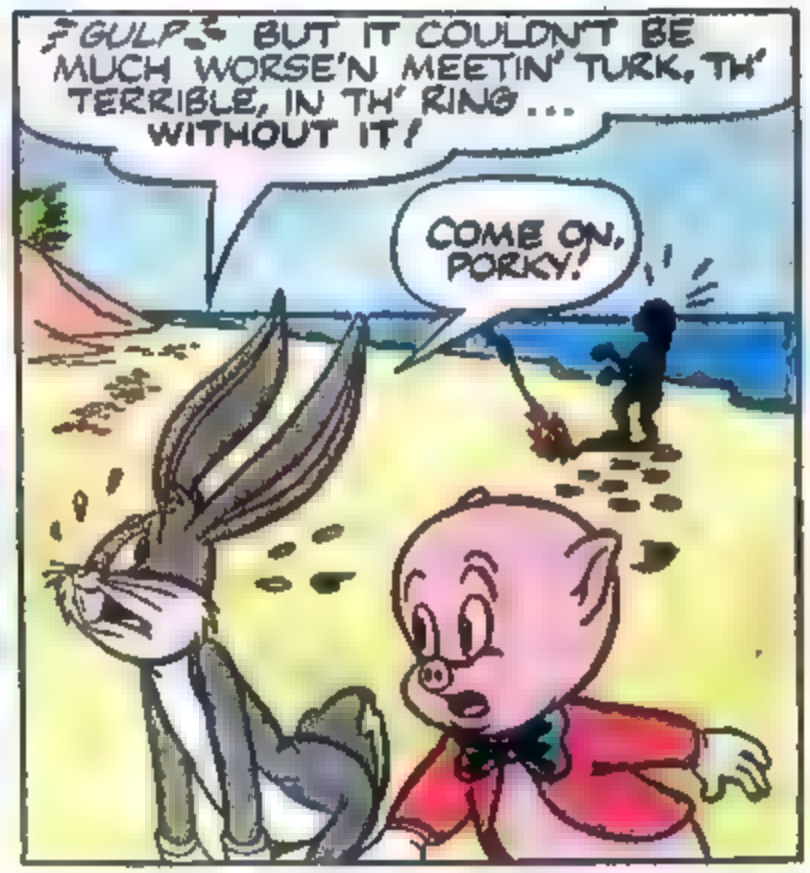

B-BUT, YOU'RE NOT NATIVES! WHO ARE YOU? WHERE'D YOU COME FROM?
LIKE YERSELF, I GUESS, DOC! WE'RE HERE T' LEARN TH' SECRET OF SUPERSTRENGTH!


THEN TAKE MY ADVICE AND GET OFF THIS ISLAND AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE! YOU'LL NEVER LEARN THEIR SECRET! IF YOU PERSIST IN SEEKING IT, YOU MAY NOT EVEN ESCAPE WITH YOUR LIFE... BELIEVE ME!


EH-H... WHAT'RE YOU GONNA DO?
I'VE HAD ENOUGH! I'M GETTING OFF THIS HORRIBLE PLACE AS SOON AS I CAN HAIL A PASSING STEAMER!

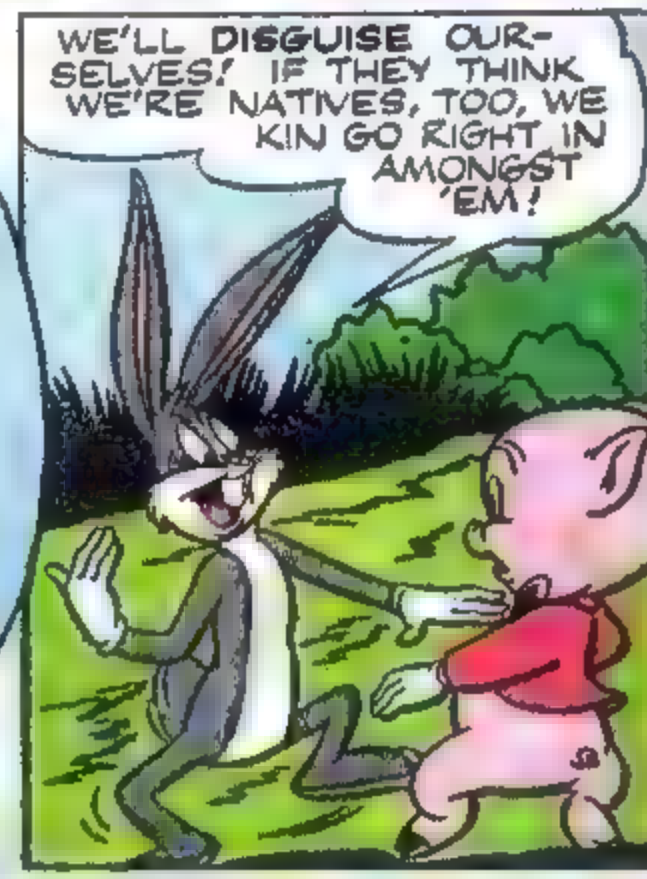

I'M WARNING YOU... YOU'D BETTER DO THE SAME, WHILE YOU'RE STILL IN ONE PIECE!
NOT ME, BUB!

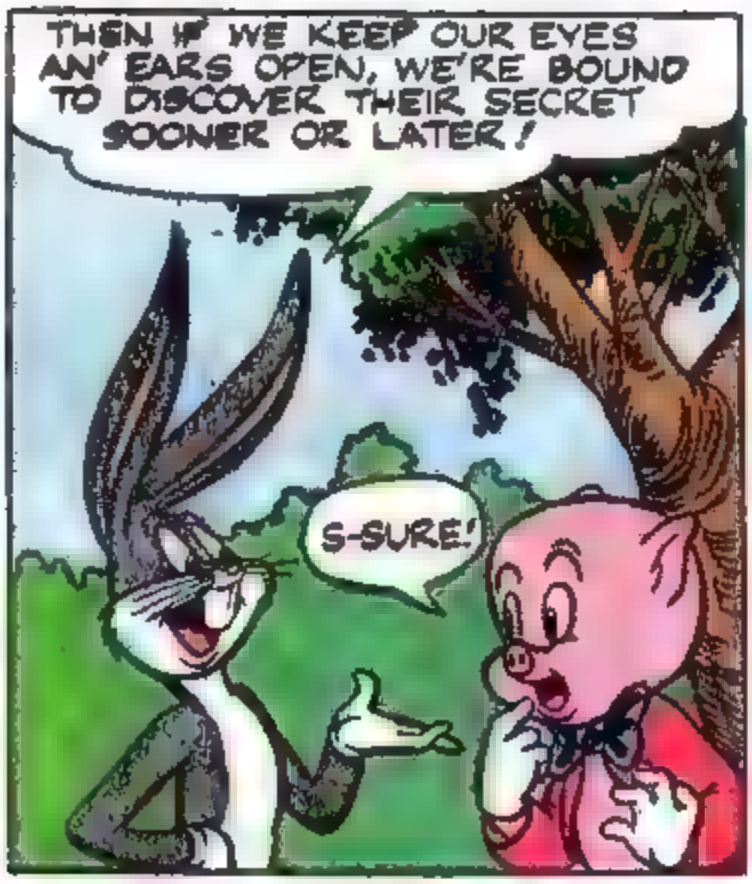

I'M STAYIN' HERE TILL I LEARNS WHAT MAKES 'EM SO STRONG!
I PITY YOU IF YOU SHOULD MEET ONE OF THE ADULT NATIVES WHILE SEEKING THEIR SECRET!


GULP... BUT IT COULDN'T BE MUCH WORSE'N MEETIN' TURK, TH' TERRIBLE, IN TH' RING... WITHOUT IT!
COME ON, PORKY!

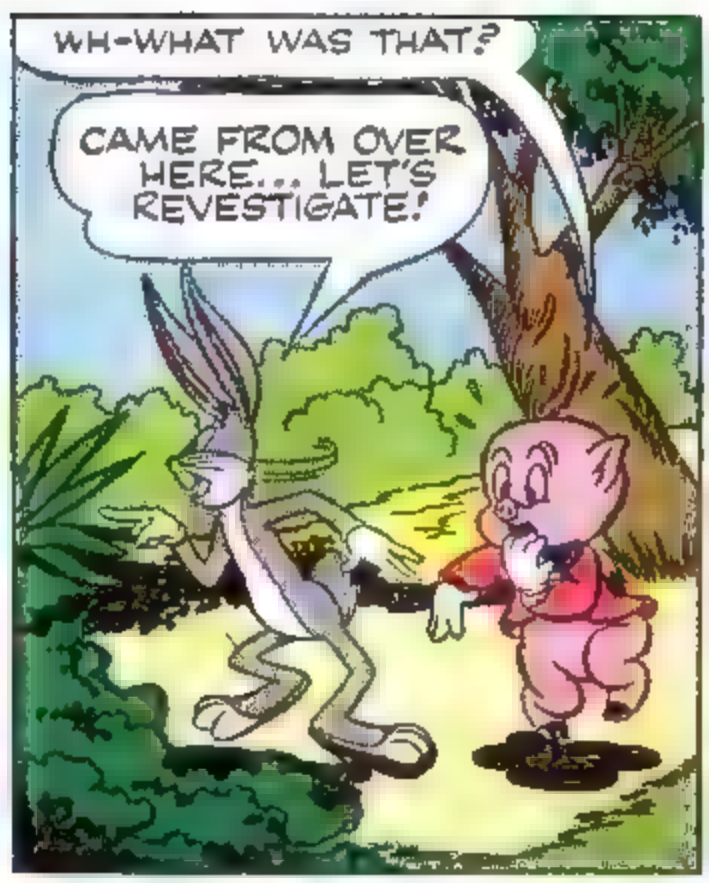
THERE MUST BE SOME WAY THAT WE COULD GET IN GOOD WITH TH' NATIVES, AN'...

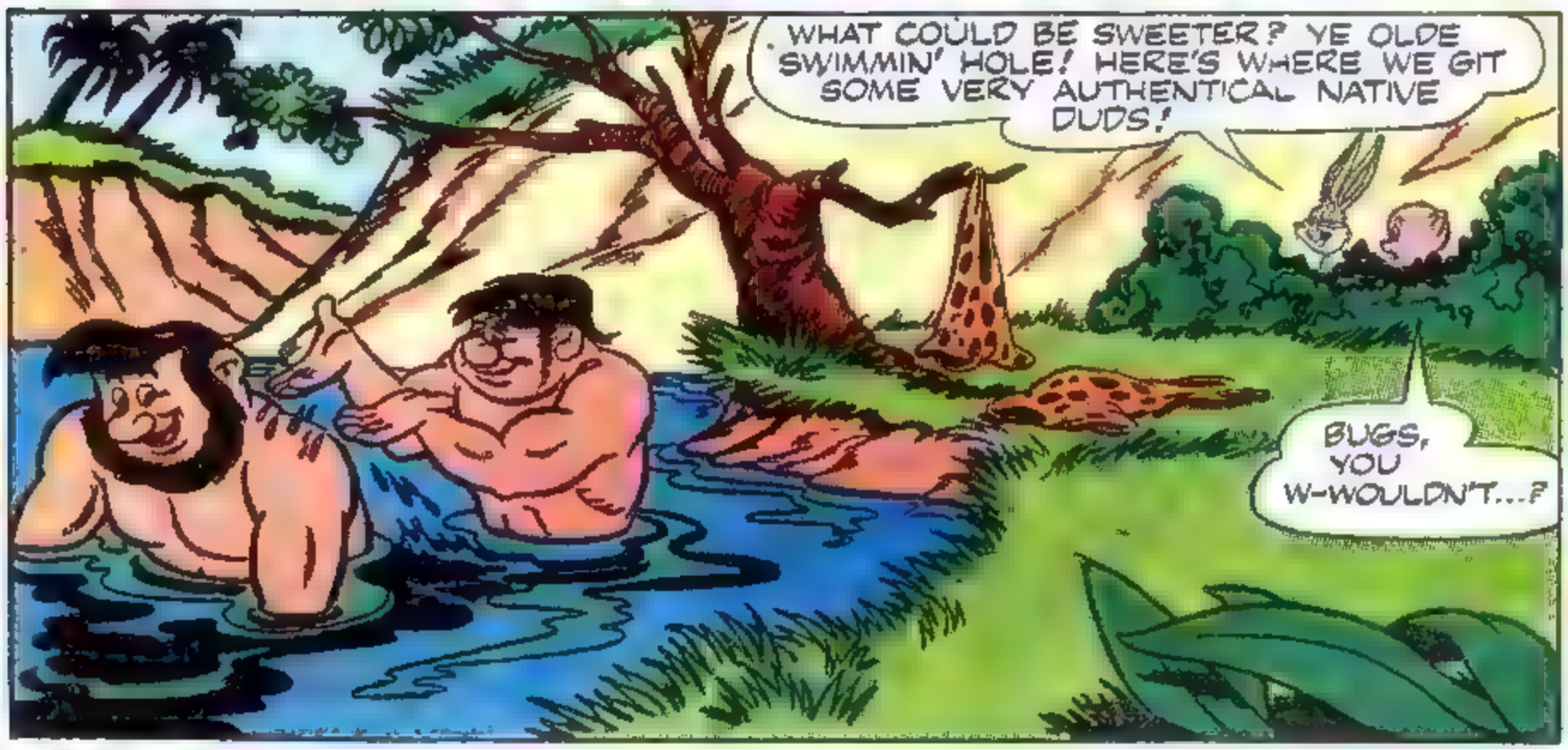
GOT IT!
SNAP!

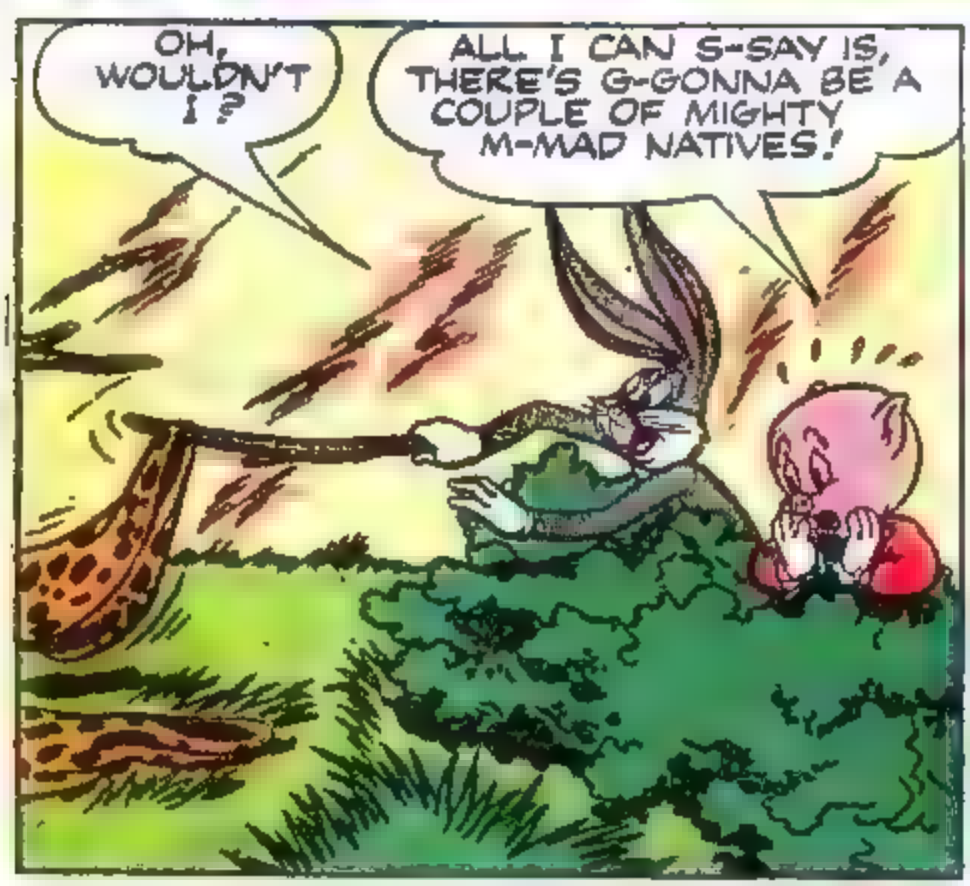

WE'LL DISGUISE OUR-SELVES! IF THEY THINK WE'RE NATIVES, TOO, WE KIN GO RIGHT IN AMONGST 'EM!

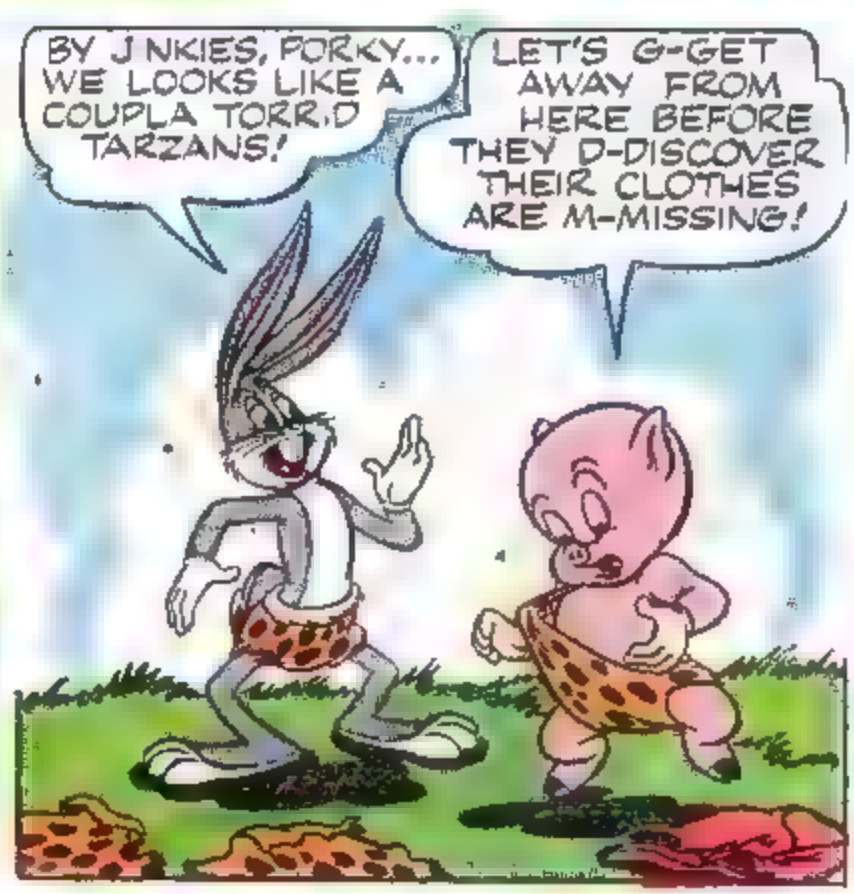

THEN IF WE KEEP OUR EYES AN' EARS OPEN, WE'RE BOUND TO DISCOVER THEIR SECRET SOONER OR LATER!
S-SURE!

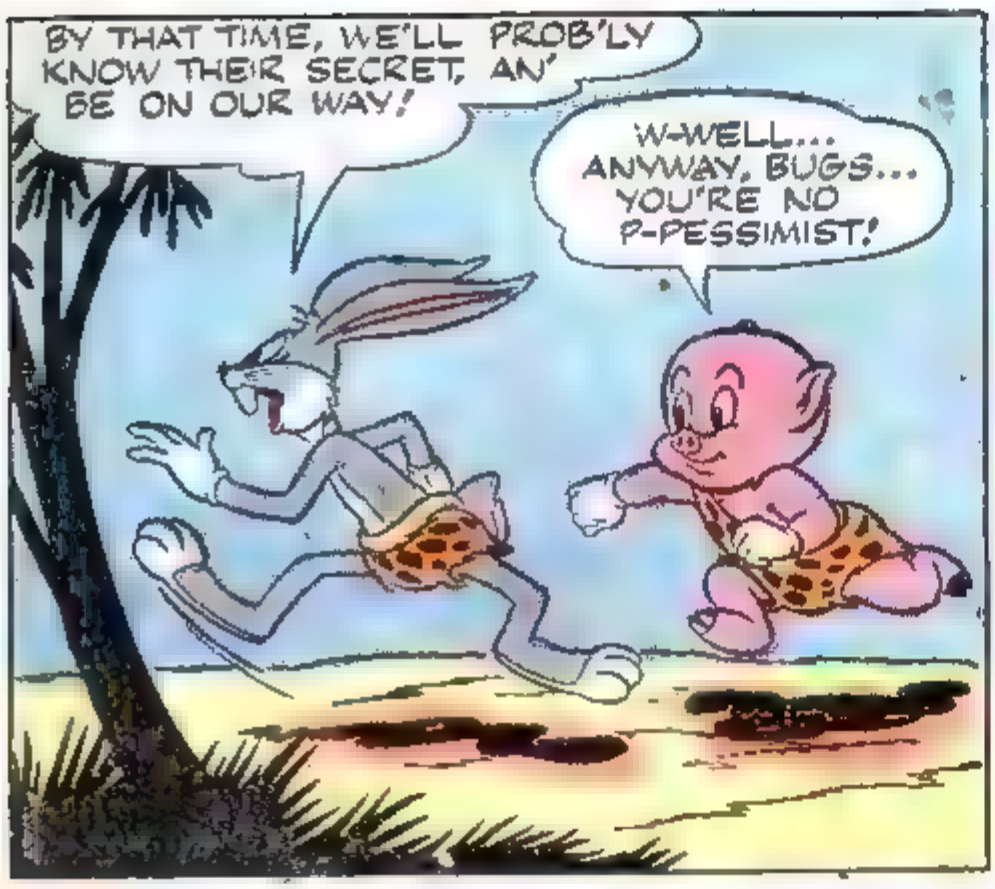
SPLASH!


WH-WHAT WAS THAT?
CAME FROM OVER HERE... LET'S REVESTIGATE!

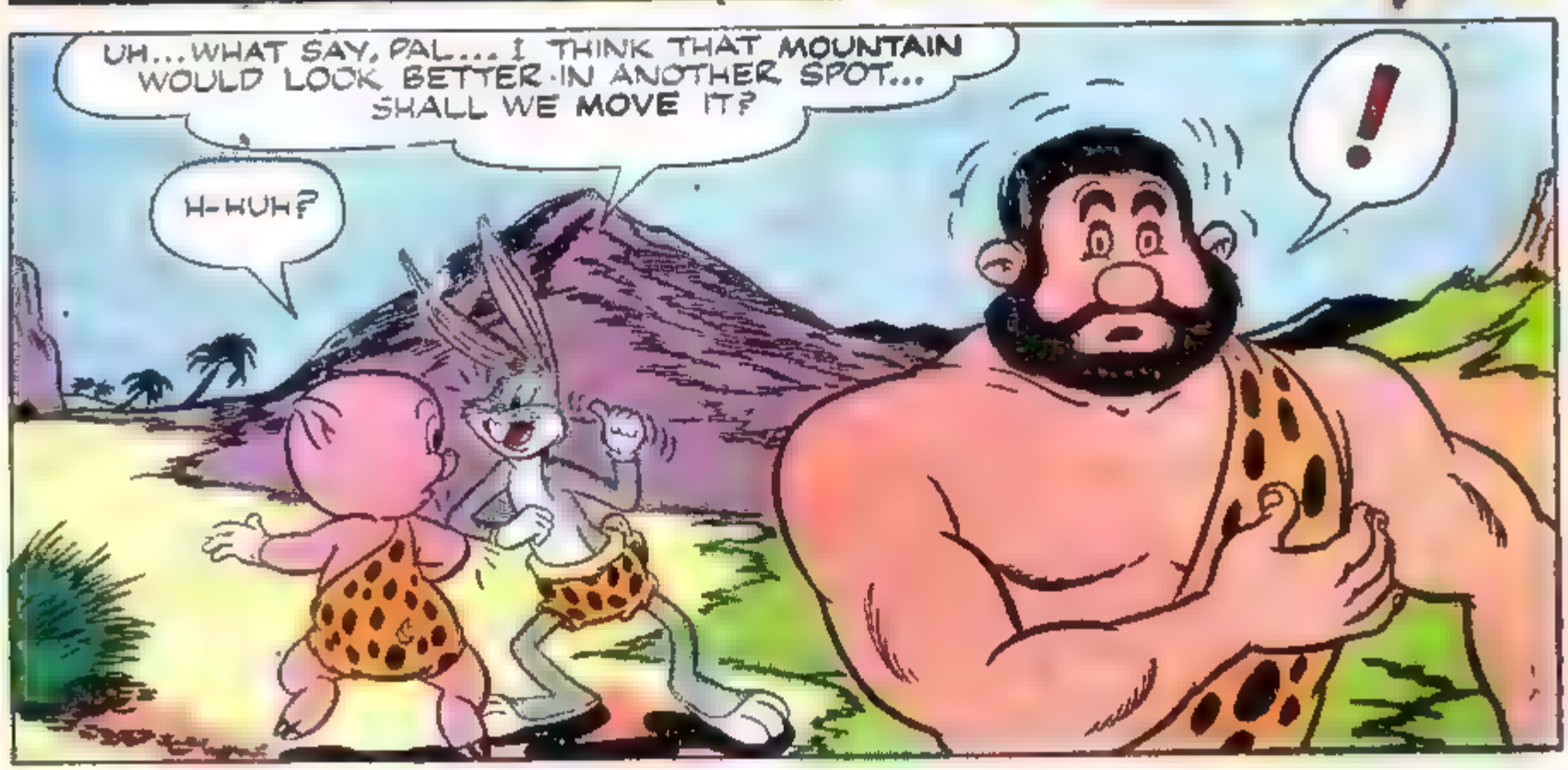

WHAT COULD BE SWEETER? YE OLDE SWIMMIN' HOLE! HERE'S WHERE WE GIT SOME VERY AUTHENTICAL NATIVE DUDS!
BUGS, YOU W-WOULDN'T...?


OH, WOULDN'T I?
ALL I CAN S-SAY IS, THERE'S G-GONNA BE A COUPLE OF MIGHTY M-MAD NATIVES!


BY J NKIES, PORKY... WE LOOKS LIKE A COUPLA TORR.D TARZANS!
LET'S G-GET AWAY FROM HERE BEFORE THEY D-DISCOVER THEIR CLOTHES ARE M-MISSING!


BY THAT TIME, WE'LL PROB'LY KNOW THEIR SECRET, AN' BE ON OUR WAY!
W-WELL... ANYWAY, BUGS... YOU'RE NO P-PESSIMIST!

UH, OH! HERE COMES A NATIVE! REMEMBER, PORKY... WE GOTTA ACT LIKE WE'RE ALREADY HEP TO THIS SUPER-STRENGTH STUFF!


UH...WHAT SAY, PAL... I THINK THAT MOUNTAIN WOULD LOOK BETTER IN ANOTHER SPOT... SHALL WE MOVE IT?
H-HUH?
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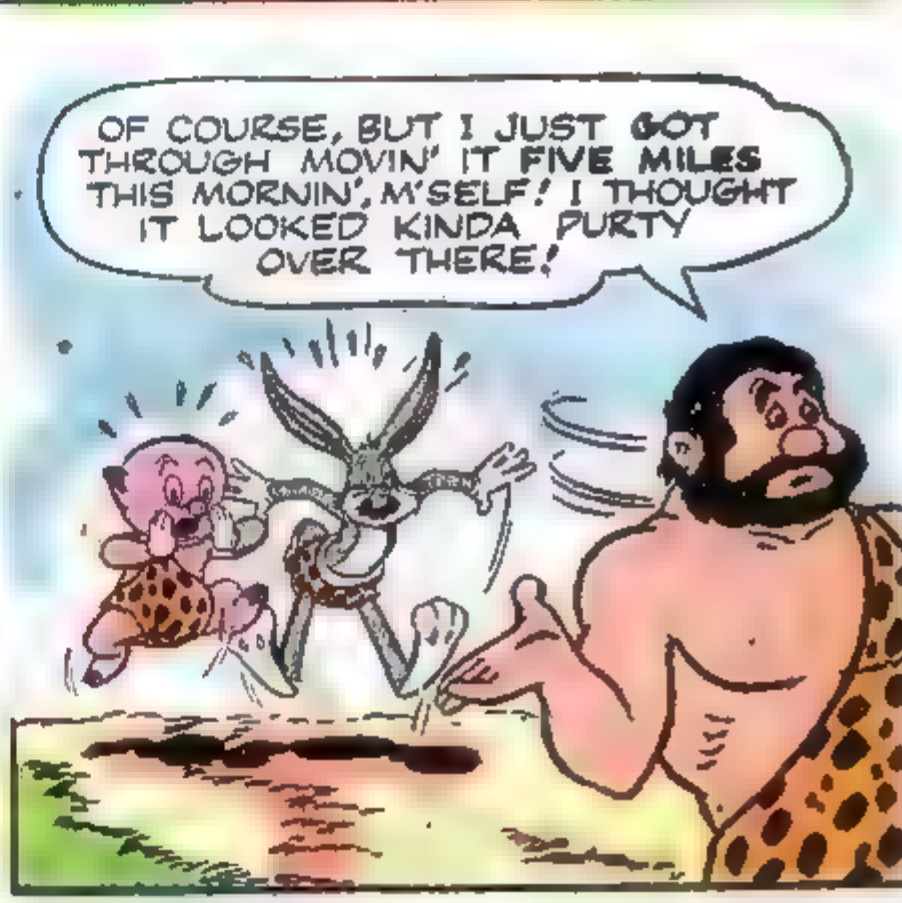
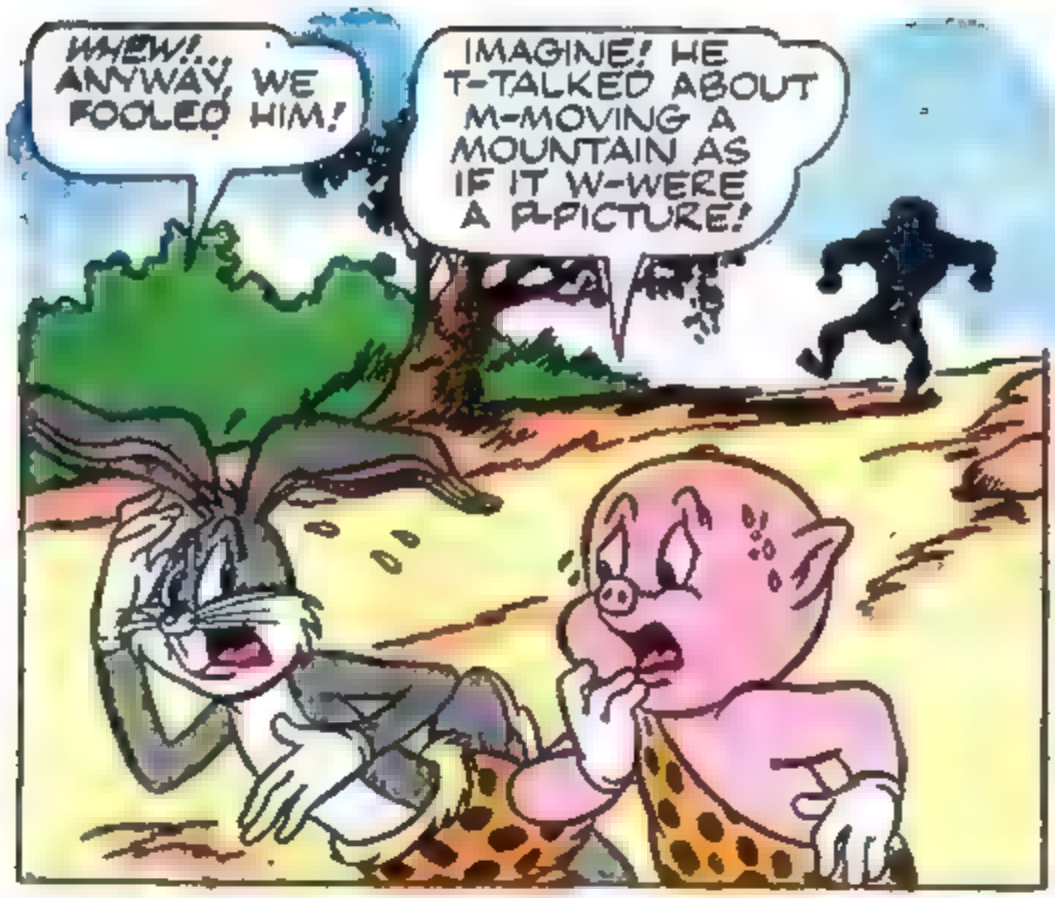
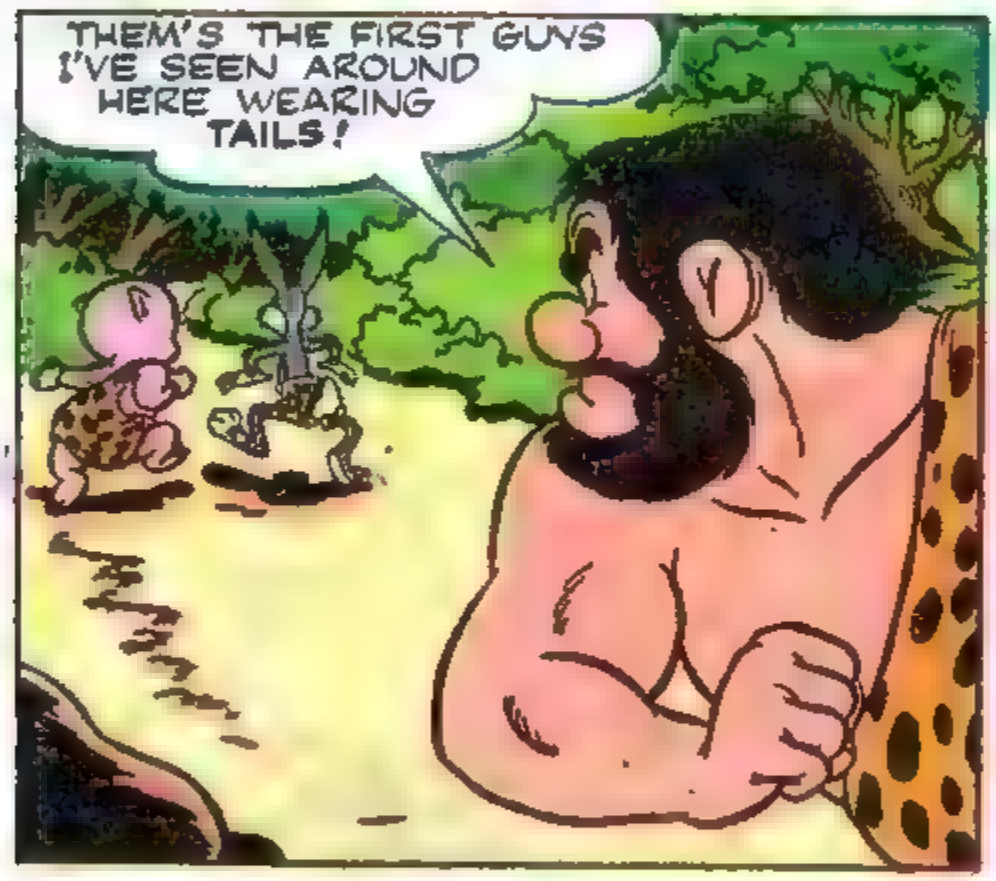
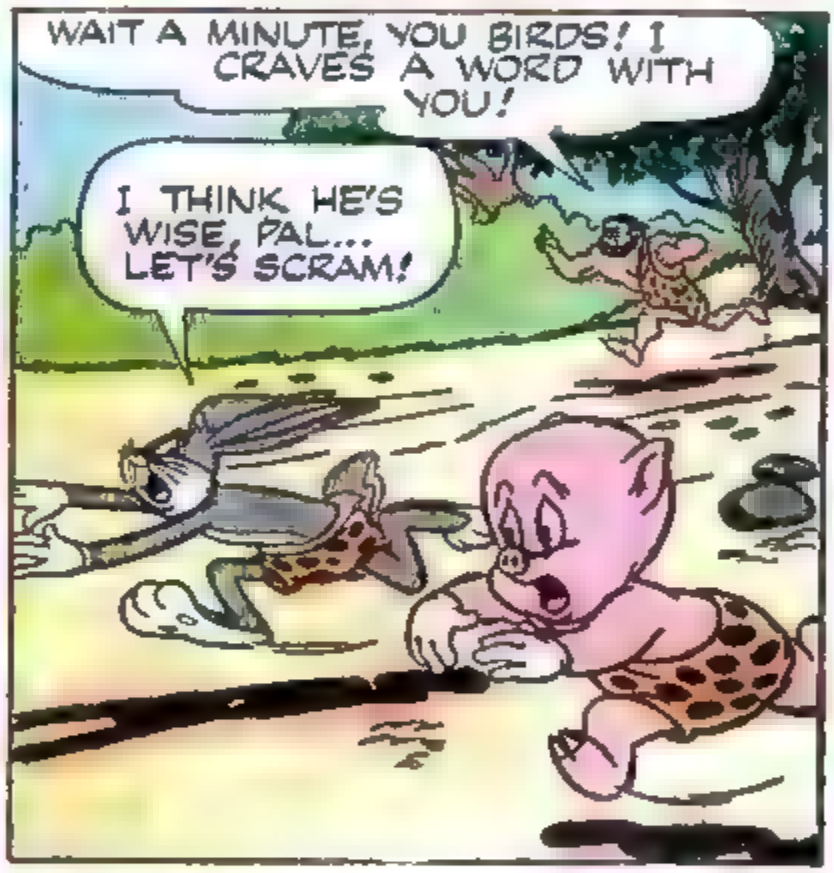
UH-H-H... ARE YOU REALLY AIMIN' T' MOVE THAT MOUNTAIN?
NATCH! WHY NOT? IT'S JEST A SIMPLE LI'L JOB FER US HERCULEANS, AIN'T IT?

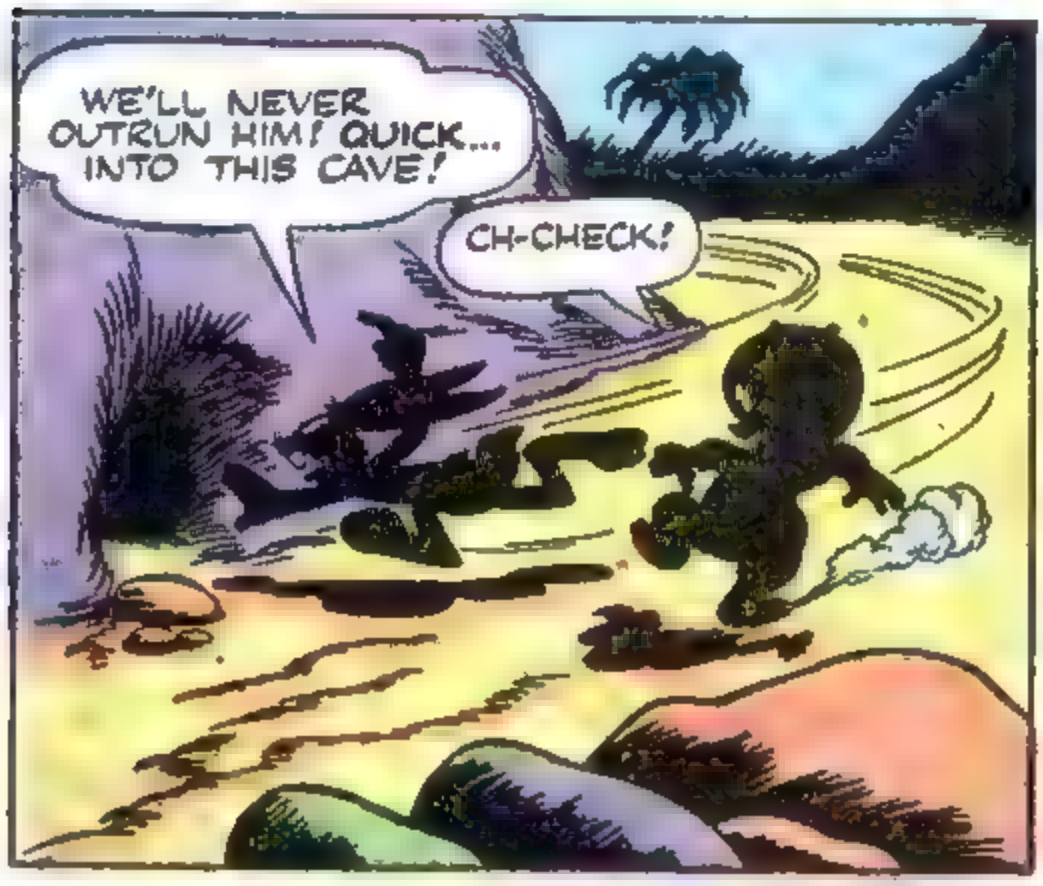

OF COURSE, BUT I JUST GOT THROUGH MOVIN' IT FIVE MILES THIS MORNIN', M'SELF! I THOUGHT IT LOOKED KINDA PURTY OVER THERE!

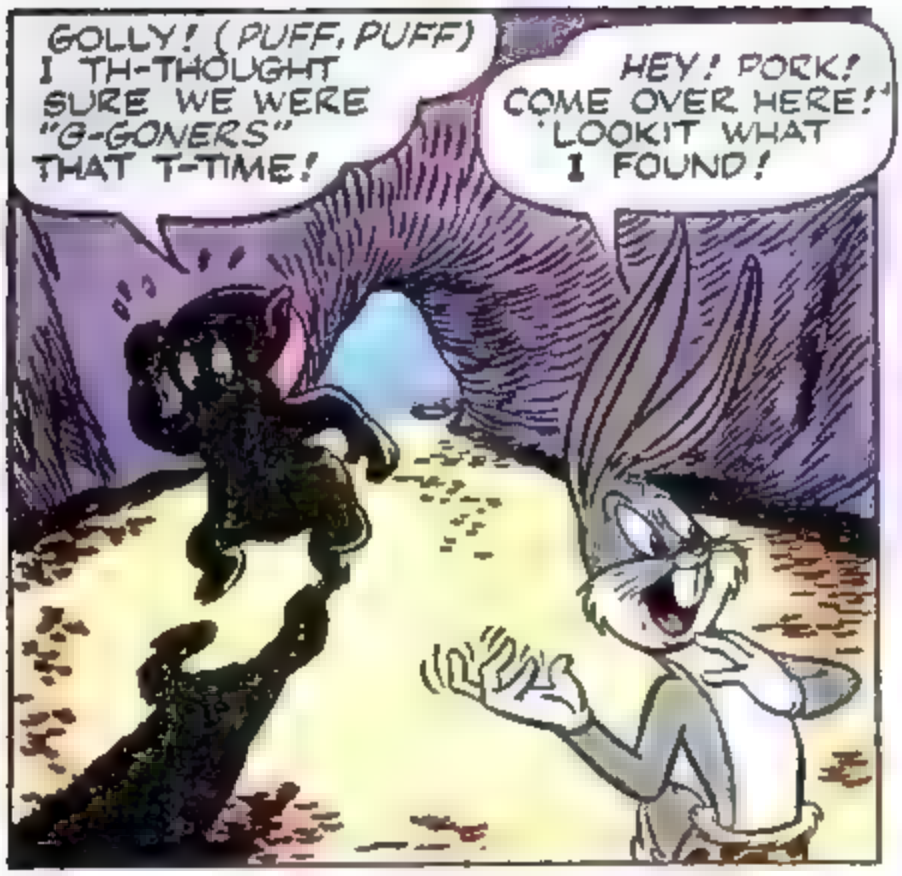

WHEW!... ANYWAY, WE FOOLED HIM!
IMAGINE! HE T-TALKED ABOUT M-MOVING A MOUNTAIN AS IF IT W-WERE A P-PICTURE!

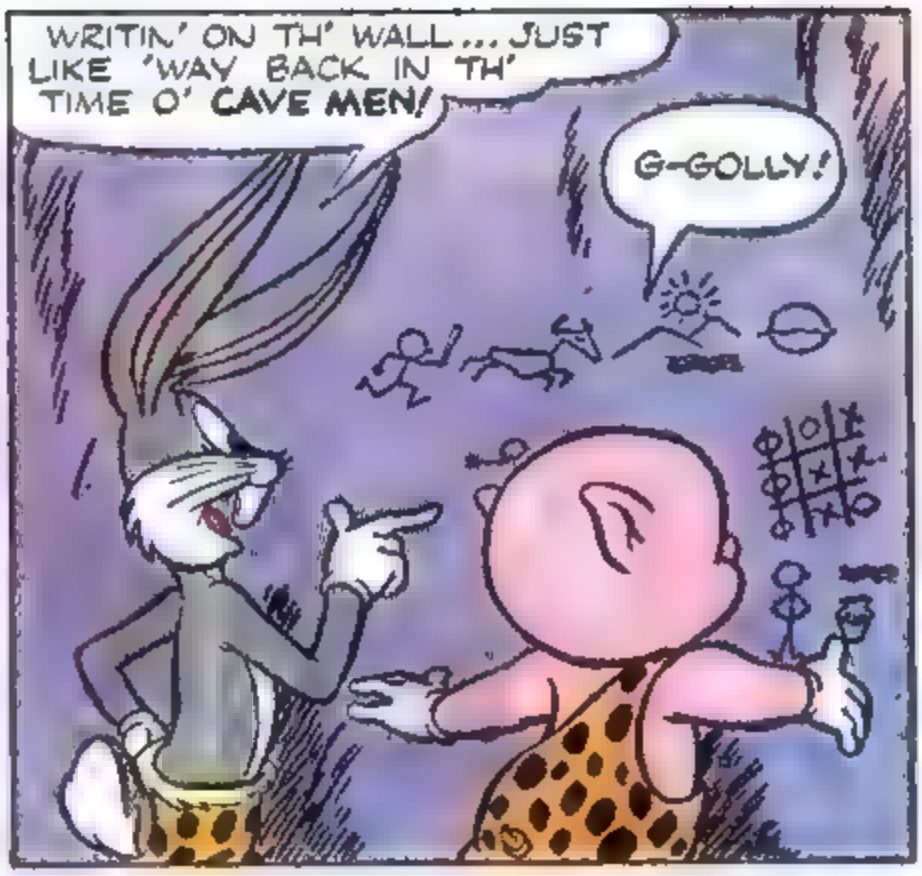
UH-H-H... JUST A MINUTE!


THEM'S THE FIRST GUYS I'VE SEEN AROUND HERE WEARING TAILS!

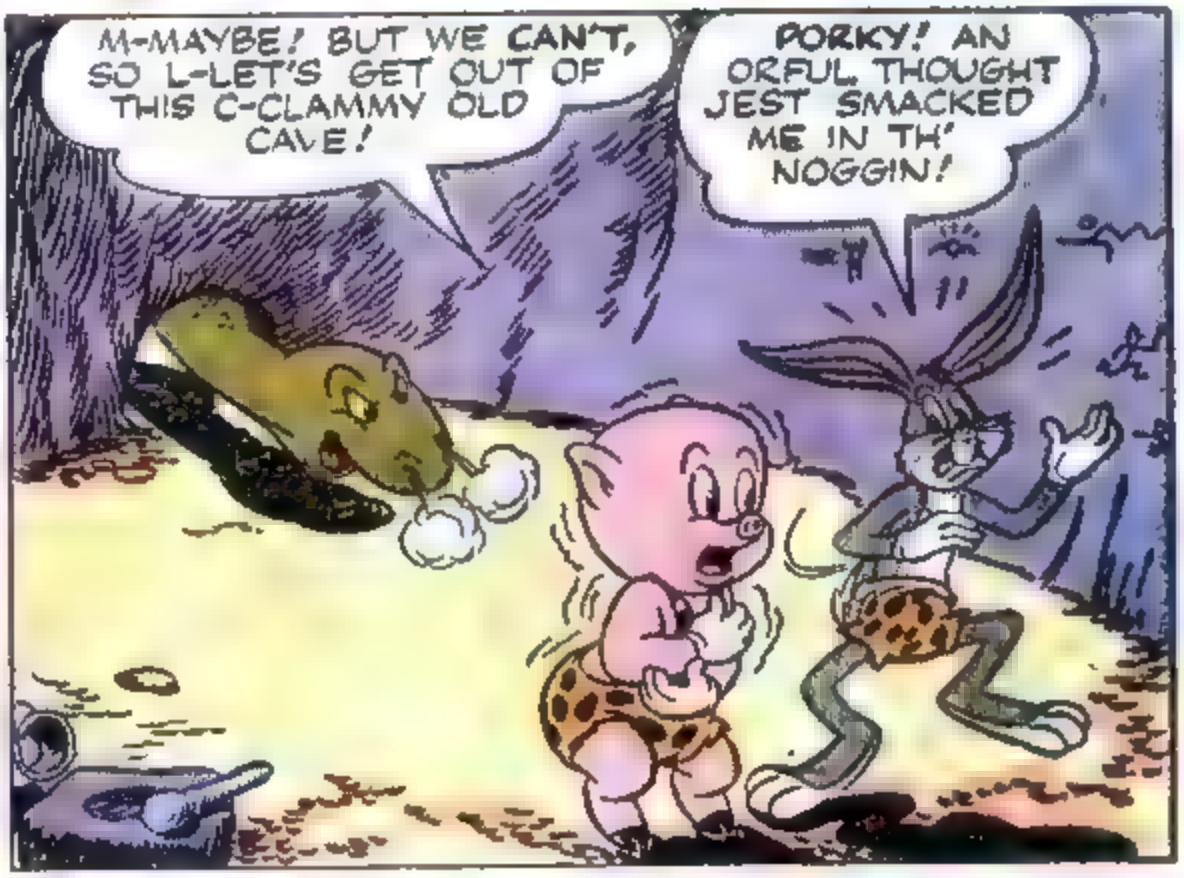

WAIT A MINUTE, YOU BIRDS! I CRAVES A WORD WITH YOU!
I THINK HE'S WISE, PAL... LET'S SCRAM!

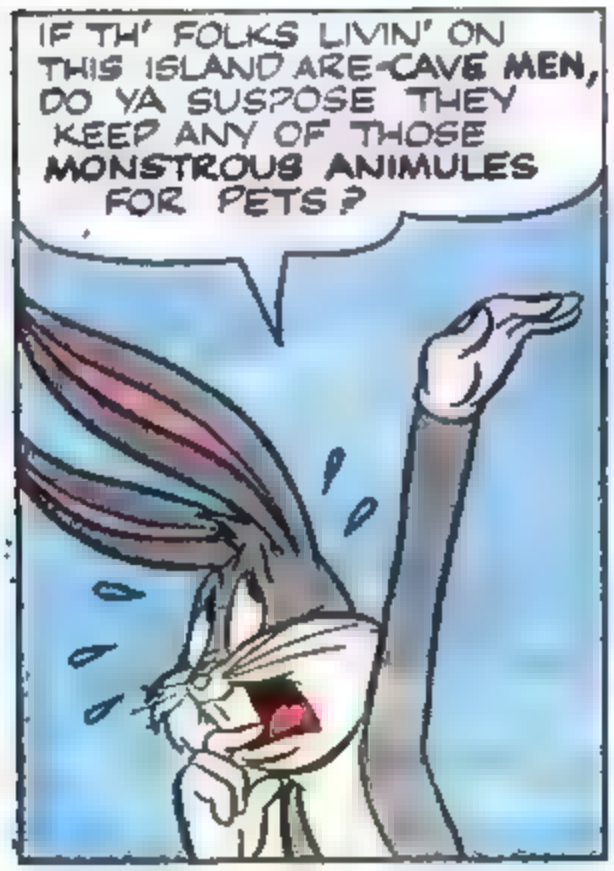

WE'LL NEVER OUTRUN HIM! QUICK... INTO THIS CAVE!
CH-CHECK!

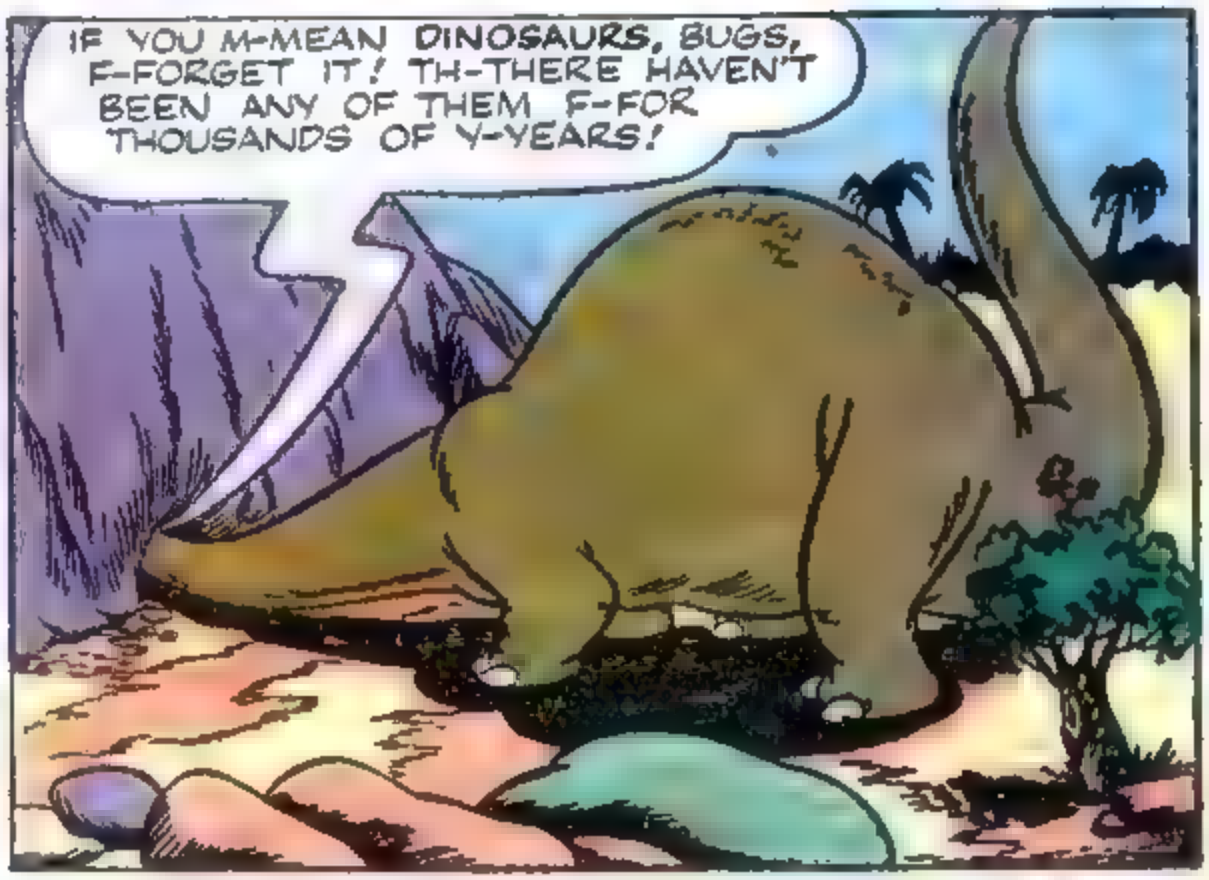

GOLLY! (PUFF, PUFF) I TH-THOUGHT SURE WE WERE "G-GONERS" THAT T-TIME!
HEY! PORK! COME OVER HERE! 'LOOKIT WHAT I FOUND!

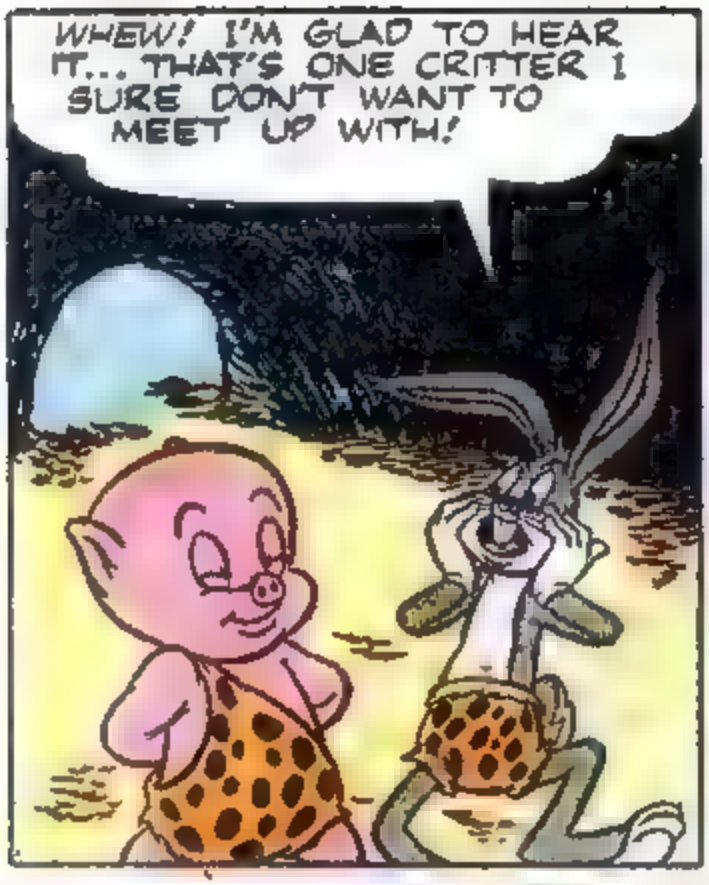

WRITIN' ON TH' WALL... JUST LIKE 'WAY BACK IN TH' TIME O' CAVE MEN!
G-GOLLY!

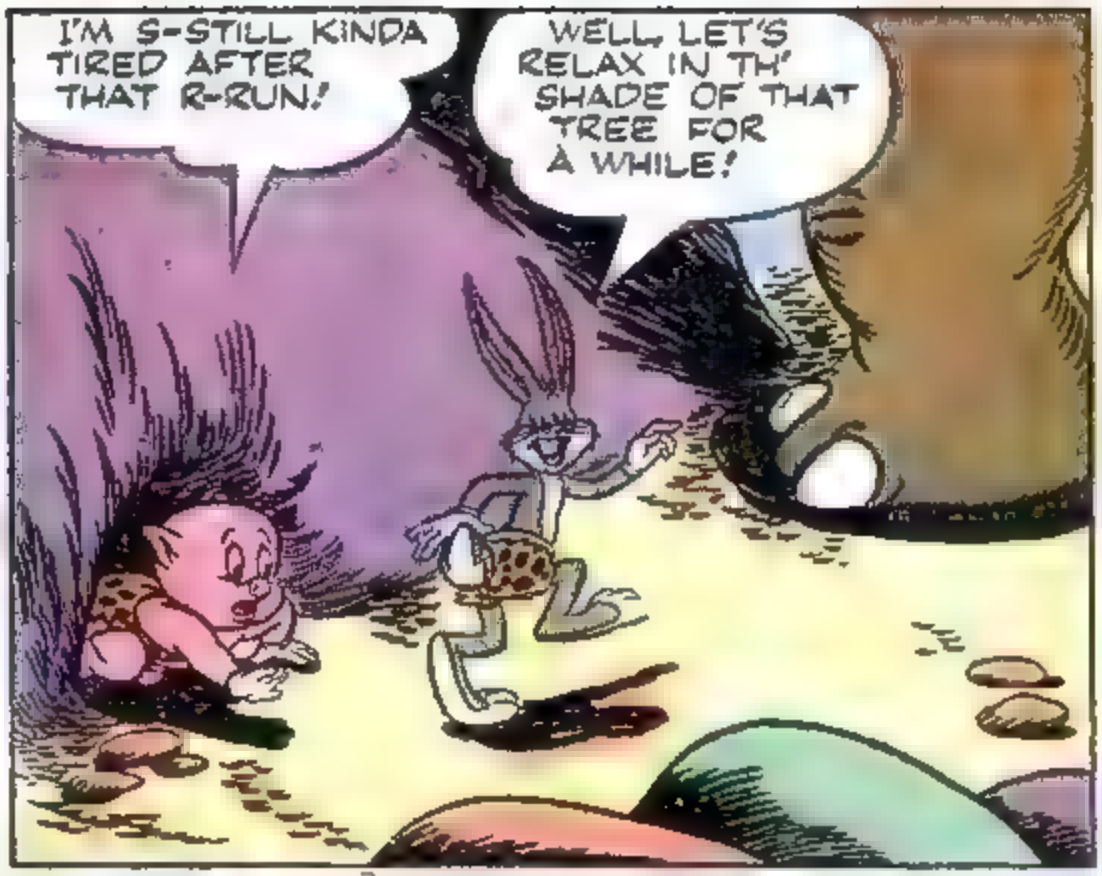
IF WE COULD FIGGER THEM OUT, I'LL BET THEY'D TELL US TH' SECRET OF SUPERSTRENGTH!

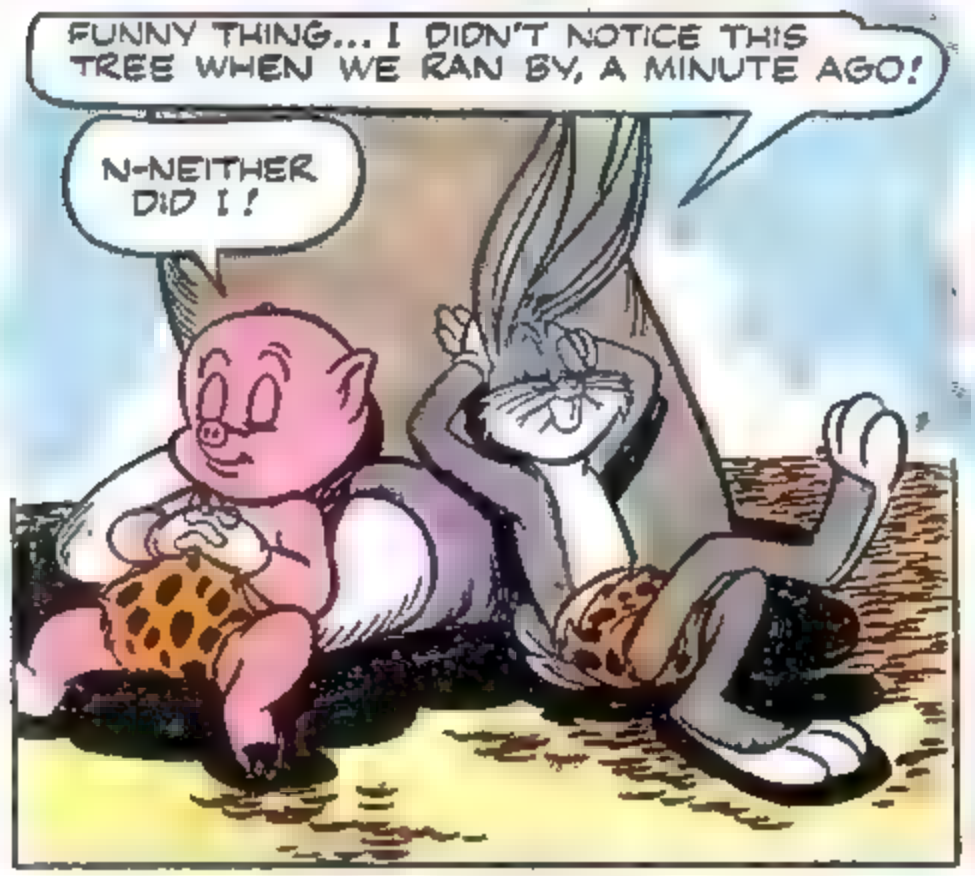

M-MAYBE! BUT WE CAN'T, SO L-LET'S GET OUT OF THIS C-CLAMMY OLD CAVE!
PORKY! AN ORFUL THOUGHT JEST SMACKED ME IN TH' NOGGIN!

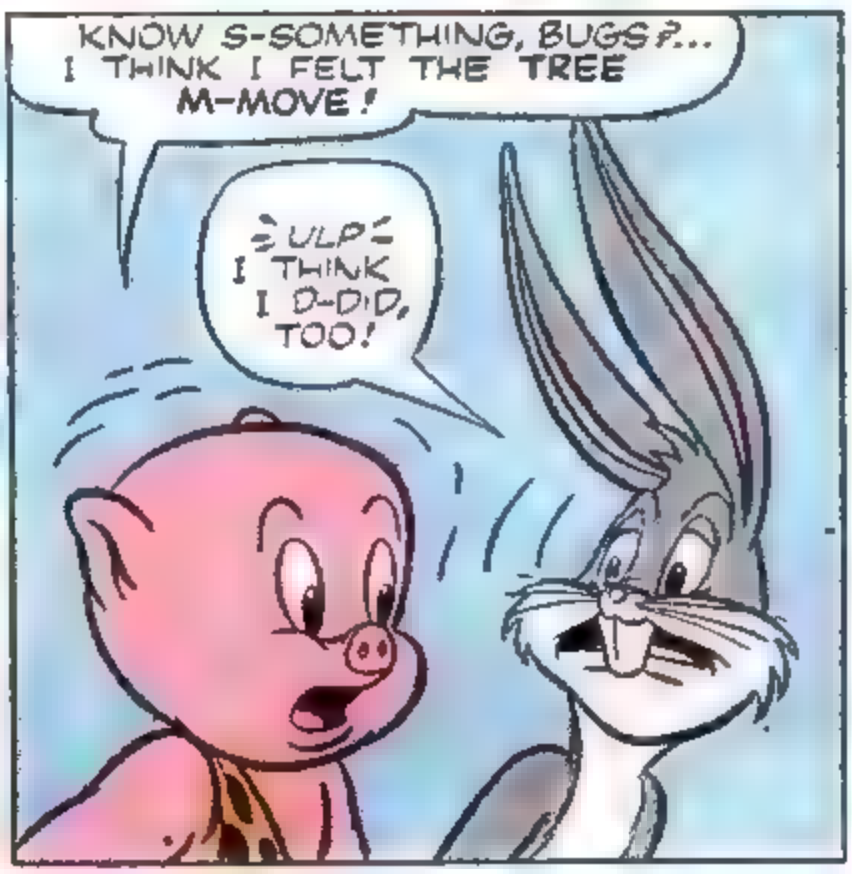

IF TH' FOLKS LIVIN' ON THIS ISLAND ARE CAVE MEN, DO YA SUSPOSE THEY KEEP ANY OF THOSE MONSTROUS ANIMULES FOR PETS?


IF YOU M-MEAN DINOSAURS, BUGS, F-FORGET IT! TH-THERE HAVEN'T BEEN ANY OF THEM F-FOR THOUSANDS OF Y-YEARS!

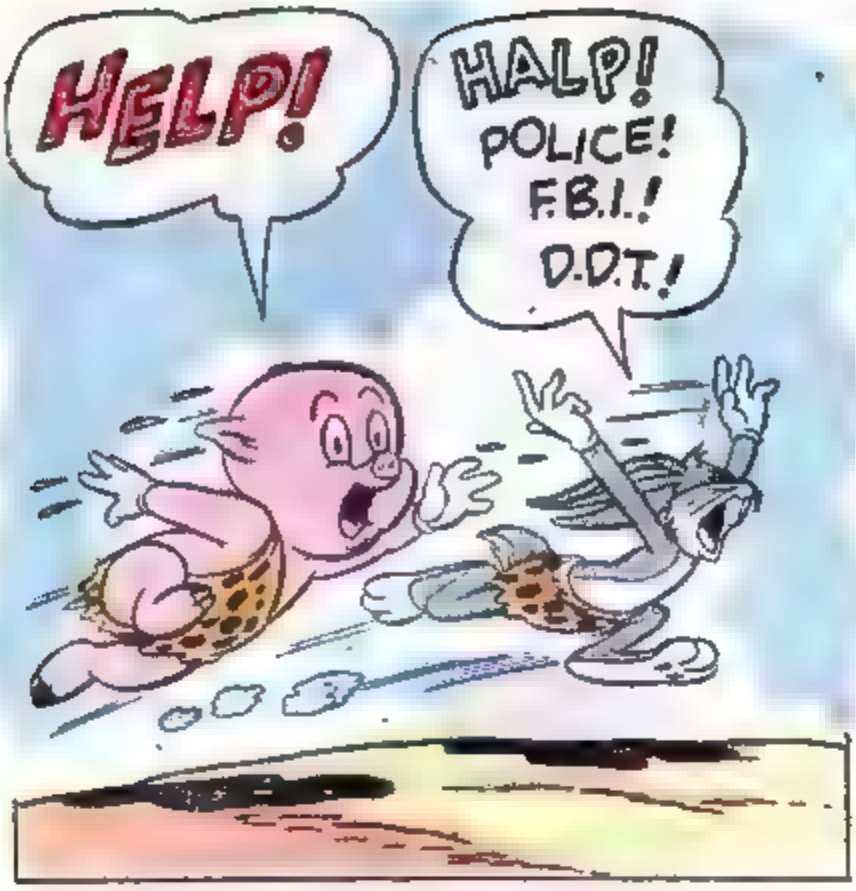

WHEW! I'M GLAD TO HEAR IT... THAT'S ONE CRITTER I SURE DON'T WANT TO MEET UP WITH!

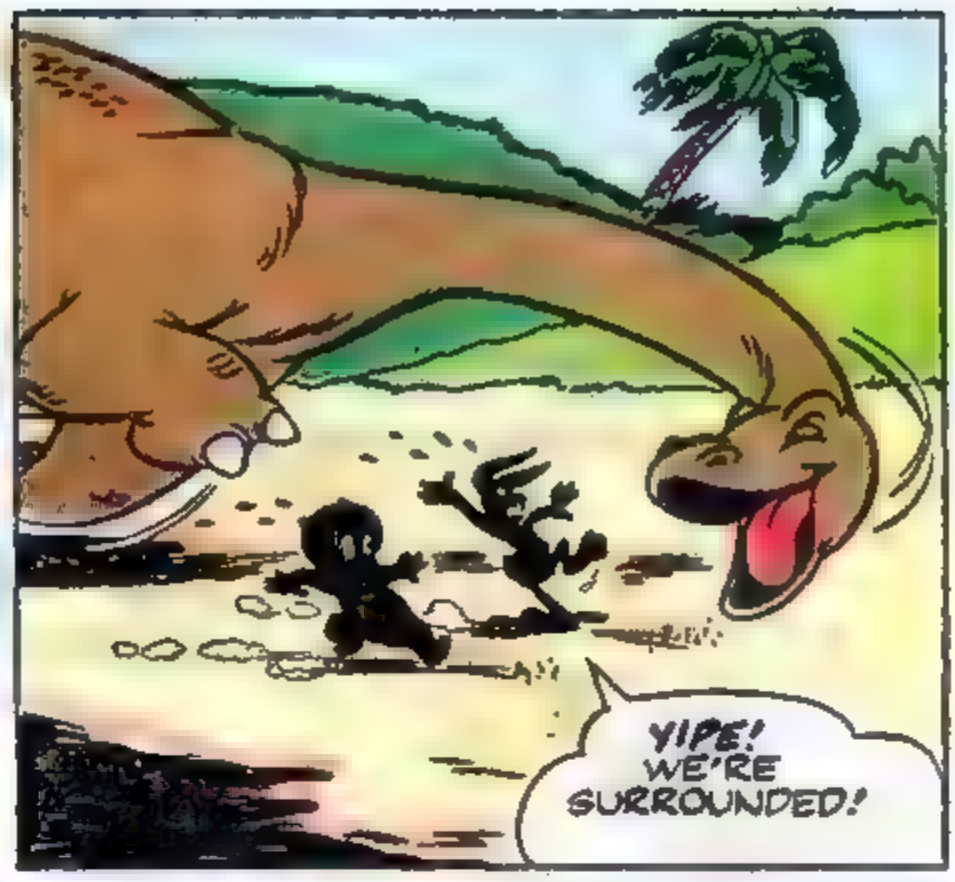

I'M S-STILL KINDA TIRED AFTER THAT R-RUN!
WELL, LET'S RELAX IN TH' SHADE OF THAT TREE FOR A WHILE!

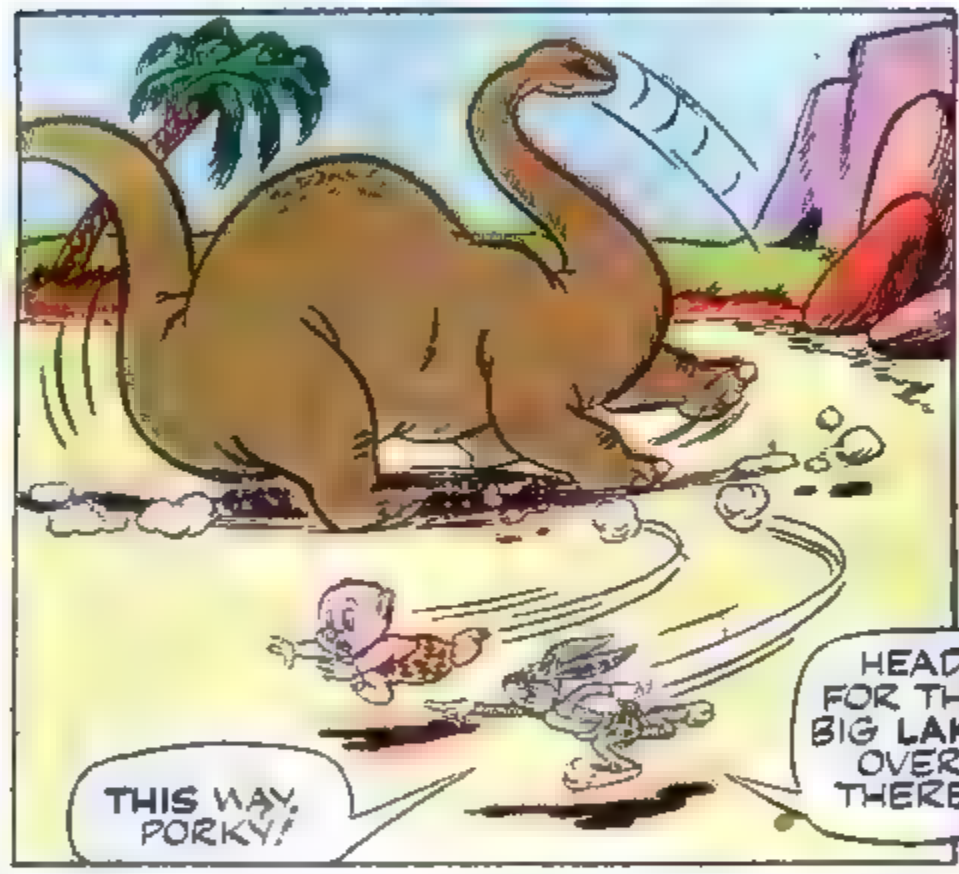

FUNNY THING... I DIDN'T NOTICE THIS TREE WHEN WE RAN BY, A MINUTE AGO!
N-NEITHER DID I!

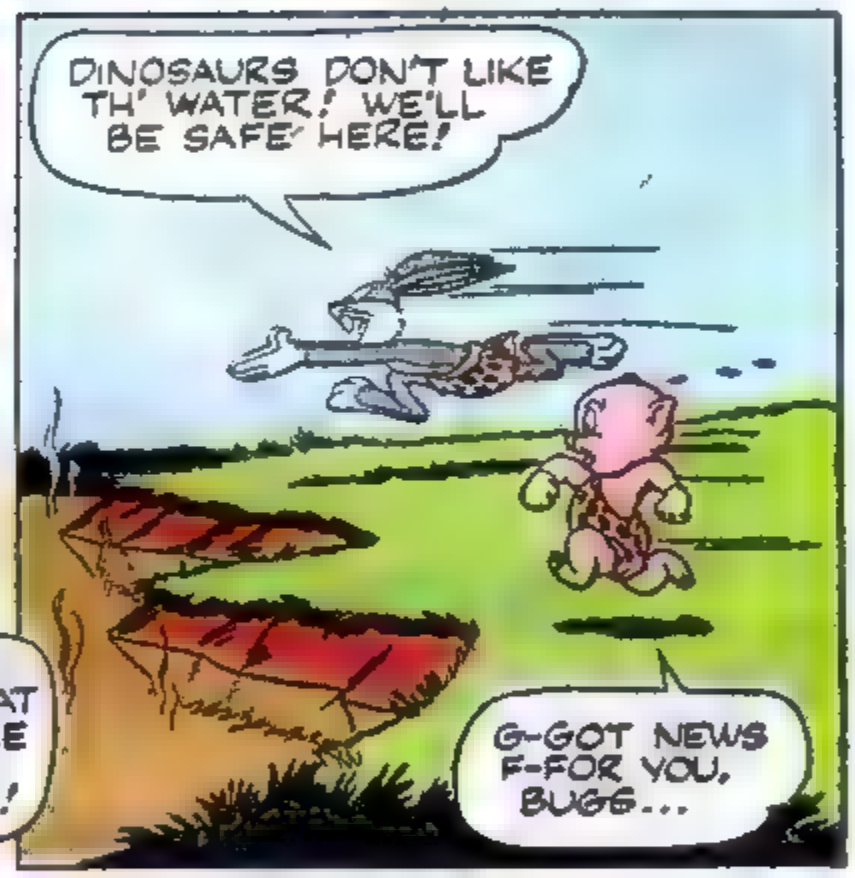

KNOW S-SOMETHING, BUGS?... I THINK I FELT THE TREE M-MOVE!
=ULP= I THINK I D-DID, TOO!

YEOW! IT AIN'T A TREE AT ALL! IT'S... IT'S...
A D-D-DINOSAUR!


HELP!
HALP! POLICE! F.B.I.! D.D.T.!


YIPE! WE'RE SURROUNDED!


THIS WAY, PORKY!
HEAD FOR THAT BIG LAKE OVER THERE!


DINOSAURS DON'T LIKE TH' WATER! WE'LL BE SAFE HERE!
G-GOT NEWS F-FOR YOU, BUGG...

TH-THAT ISN'T A L-LAKE! IT'S SAND! IT'S A M-MIRAGE!
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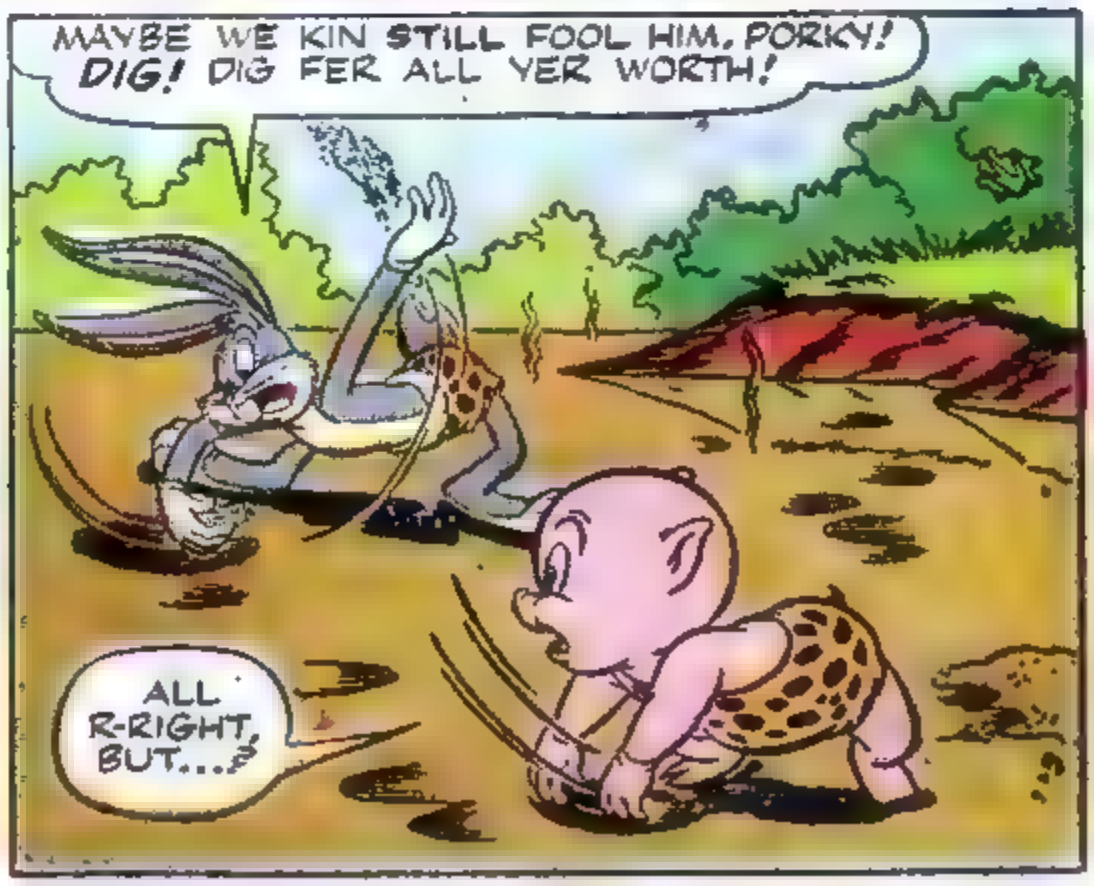

MAYBE WE KIN STILL FOOL HIM, PORKY! DIG! DIG FER ALL YER WORTH!
ALL R-RIGHT, BUT...?

MY, MY! THY WATER IS DEE-LIGHTFUL, AIN'T IT, CHUM?

AN' D-DEEP, TOO! KEEP T-TREADING, BUGS, SO YOU DON'T D-DROWN!

YAK! YAK! WE SURE FOOLED HIM! OUR WORRIES ARE OVER!

TH-THAT ONE IS... BUT HERE'S ANOTHER ONE, C-COMIN' UP!

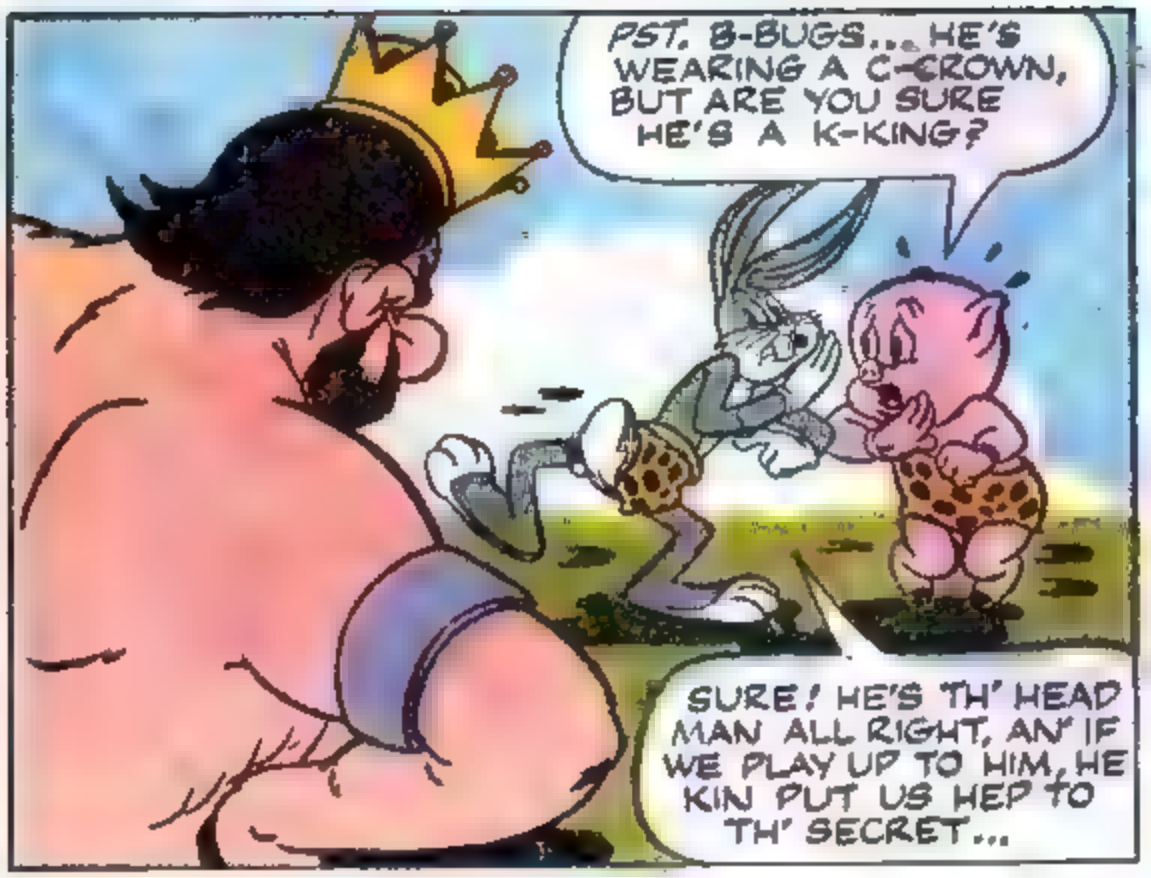
IT'S A PIP, TOO!

WHAT'S THE B G IDEA? I SAW YOU RUN AWAY FROM THAT DINOSAUR! YOU'RE NOT AFRAID OF HIM, ARE YOU?

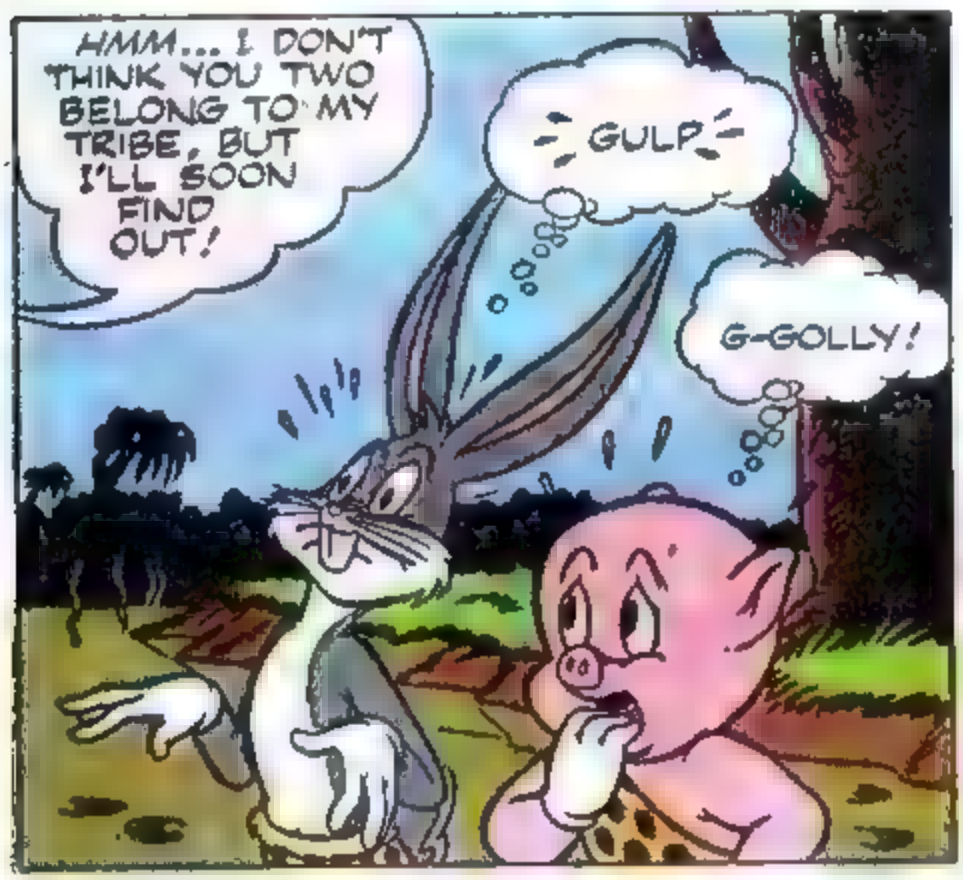
WH-WHO? US? S-SKEERED?

WHY, I SHOULD SAY NOT! US NATIVES ARE JUST BULGIN' WITH THAT SUPERSTRENGTH STUFF! GIT A LOAD OF MY BICEPTICALS, KINGY!

YE-E-S, I WAS JUST NOTICING!

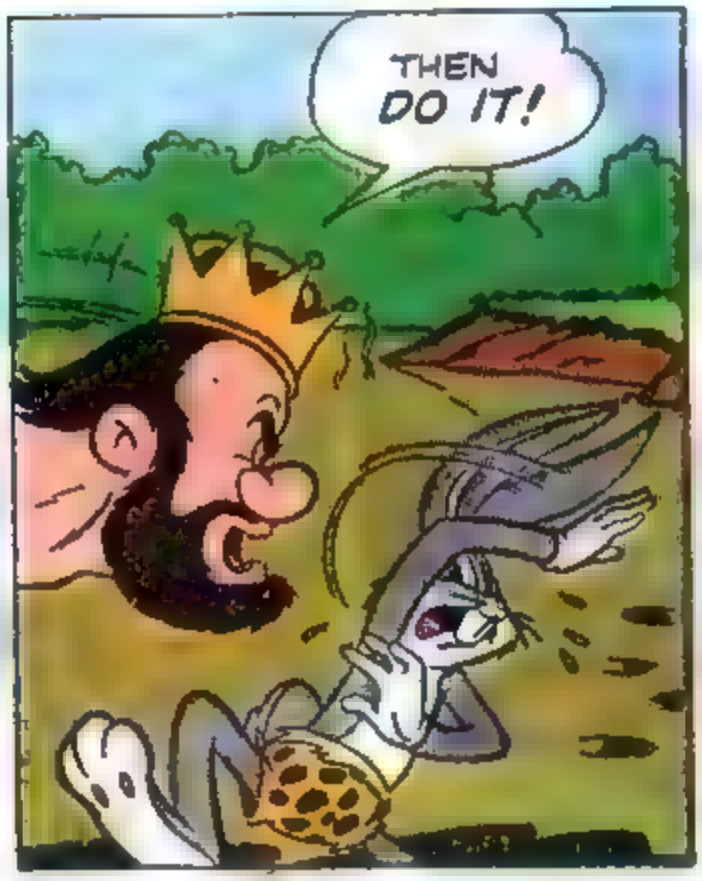

PST, B-BUGS... HE'S WEARING A C-CROWN, BUT ARE YOU SURE HE'S A K-KING?
SURE! HE'S TH' HEAD MAN ALL RIGHT, AN' IF WE PLAY UP TO HIM, HE KIN PUT US HEP TO TH' SECRET...

STOP THAT WHISPERING!!
Y-YES, YER HIGHNESS!

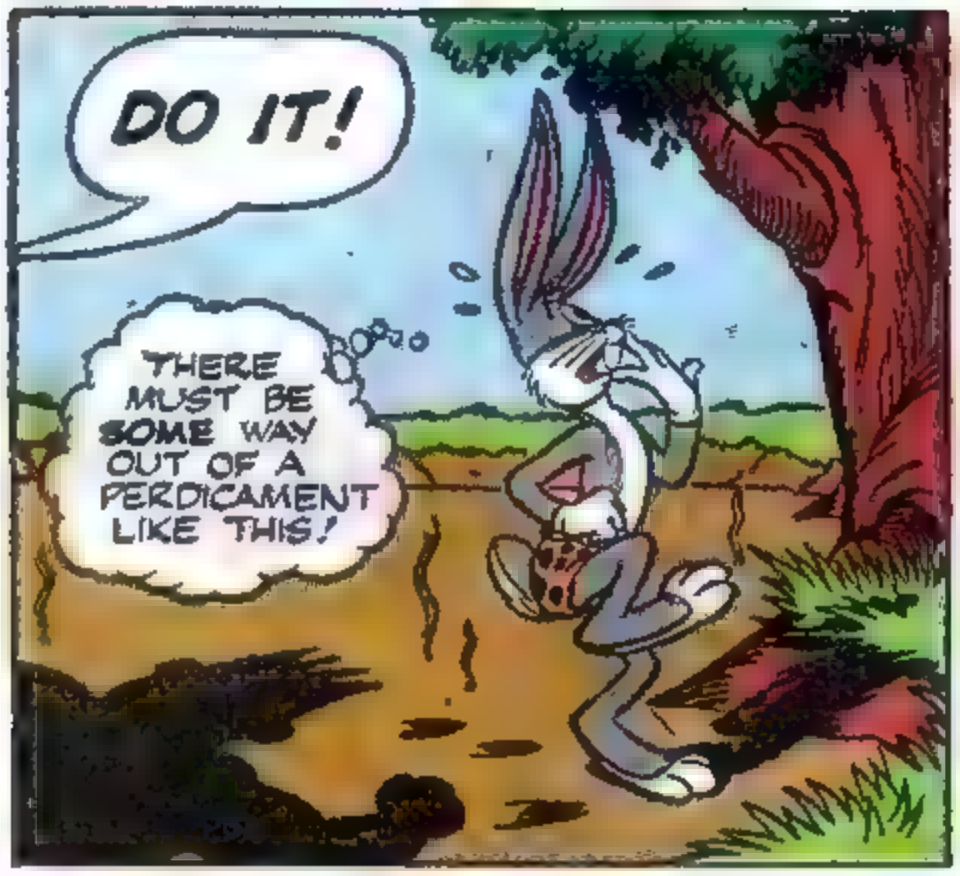

HMM... I DON'T THINK YOU TWO BELONG TO MY TRIBE, BUT I'LL SOON FIND OUT!
GULP
G-GOLLY!

IF YOU'RE ONE OF US, IT SHOULD BE EASY FOR YOU TO KNOCK OVER THAT TREE!
HUH?

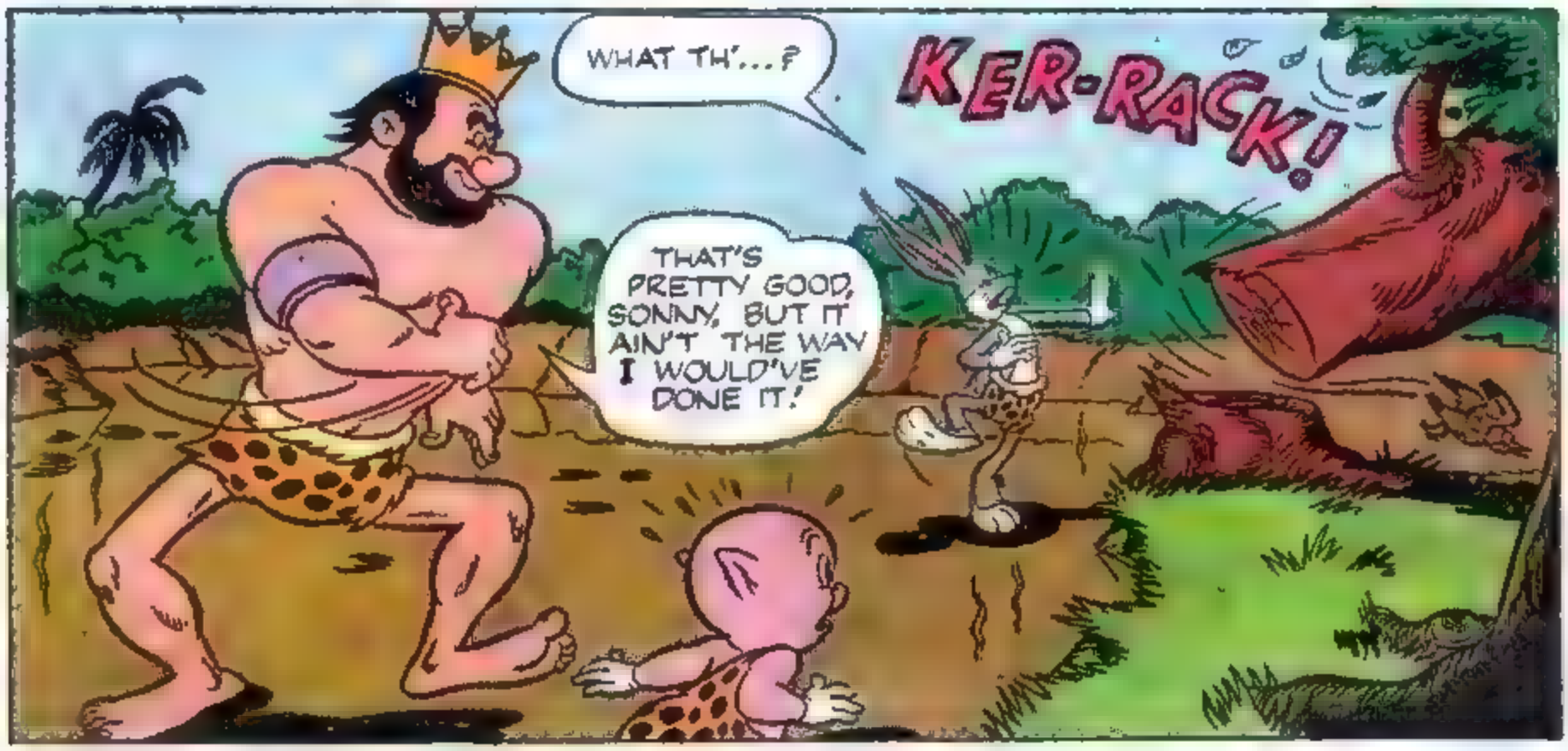
THAT TREE? ER... OH, THAT WOULD BE A CINCH, KINGY!


THEN DO IT!

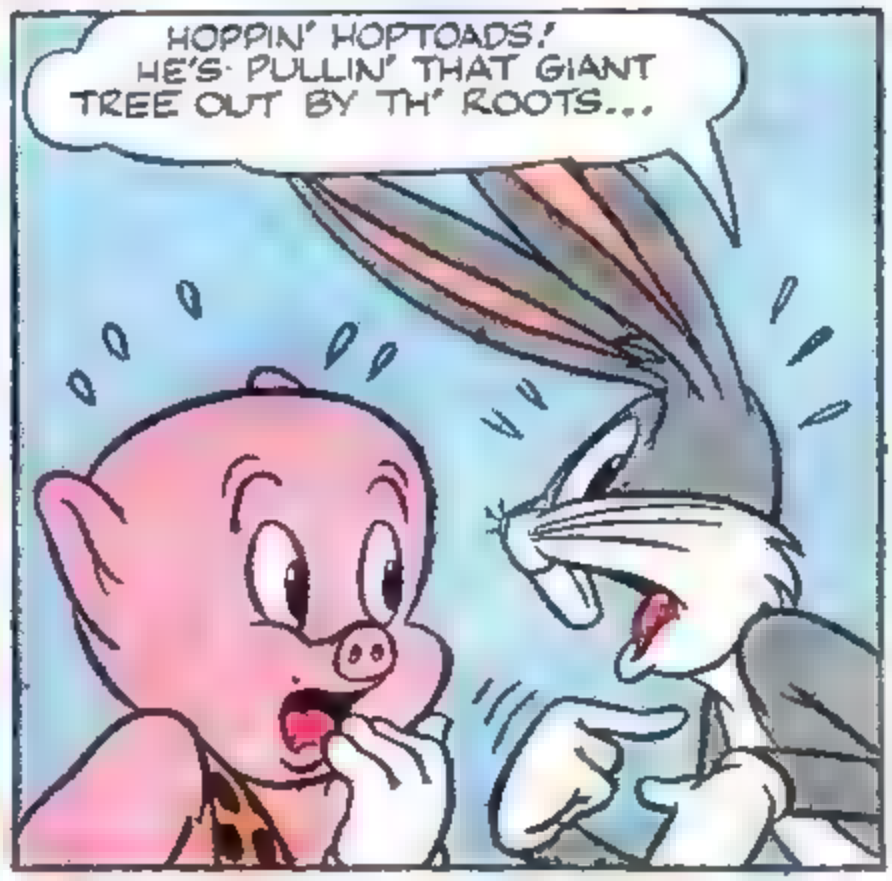
WELL, ALL RIGHT... BUT DON'T RUSH ME...

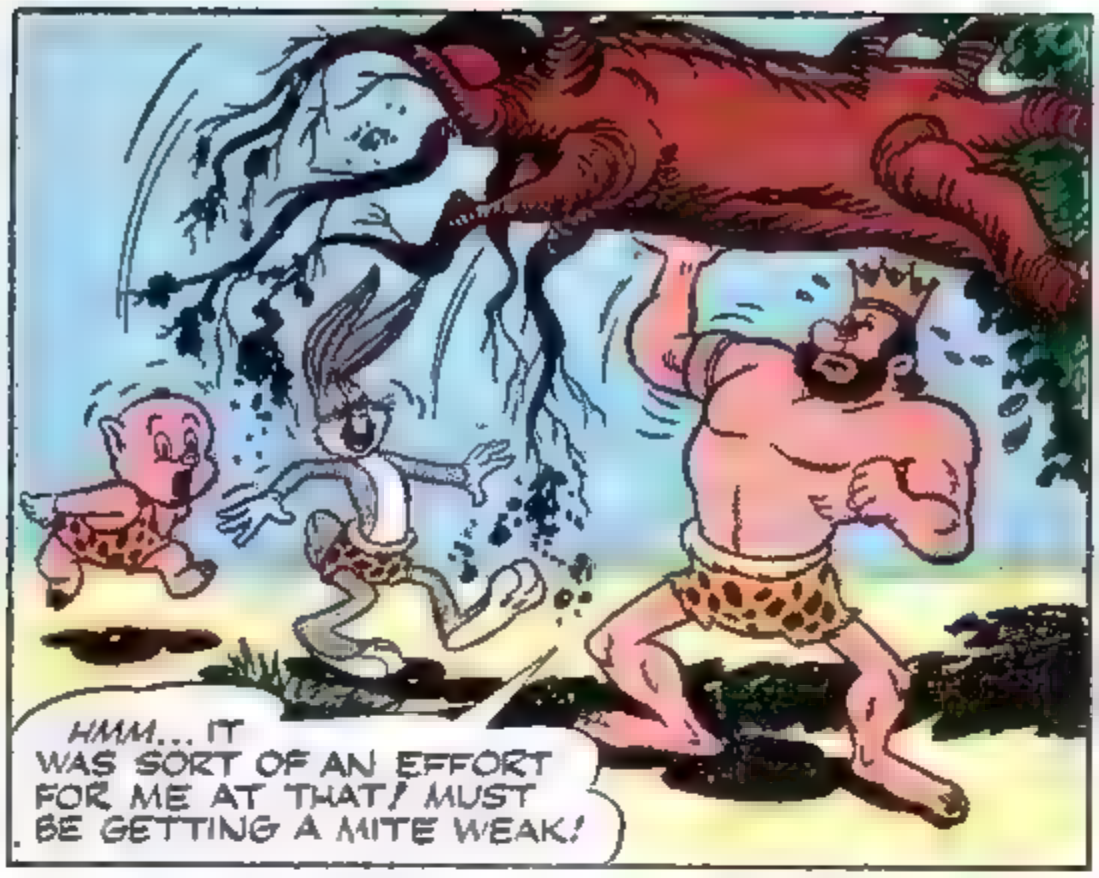

DO IT!
THERE MUST BE SOME WAY OUT OF A PERDICAMENT LIKE THIS!

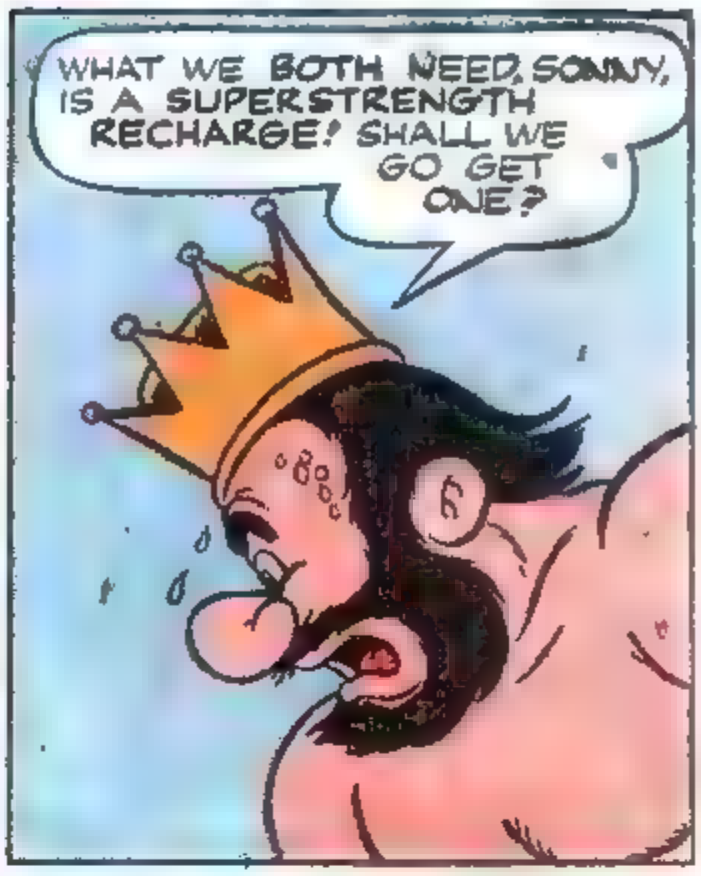
MAYBE IF I THOUGHT ABOUT IT FER A MINUTE, I COULD DOPE OUT SOME...


WHAT TH'...?
KER-RACK!
THAT'S PRETTY GOOD, SONNY, BUT IT AIN'T THE WAY I WOULD'VE DONE IT!

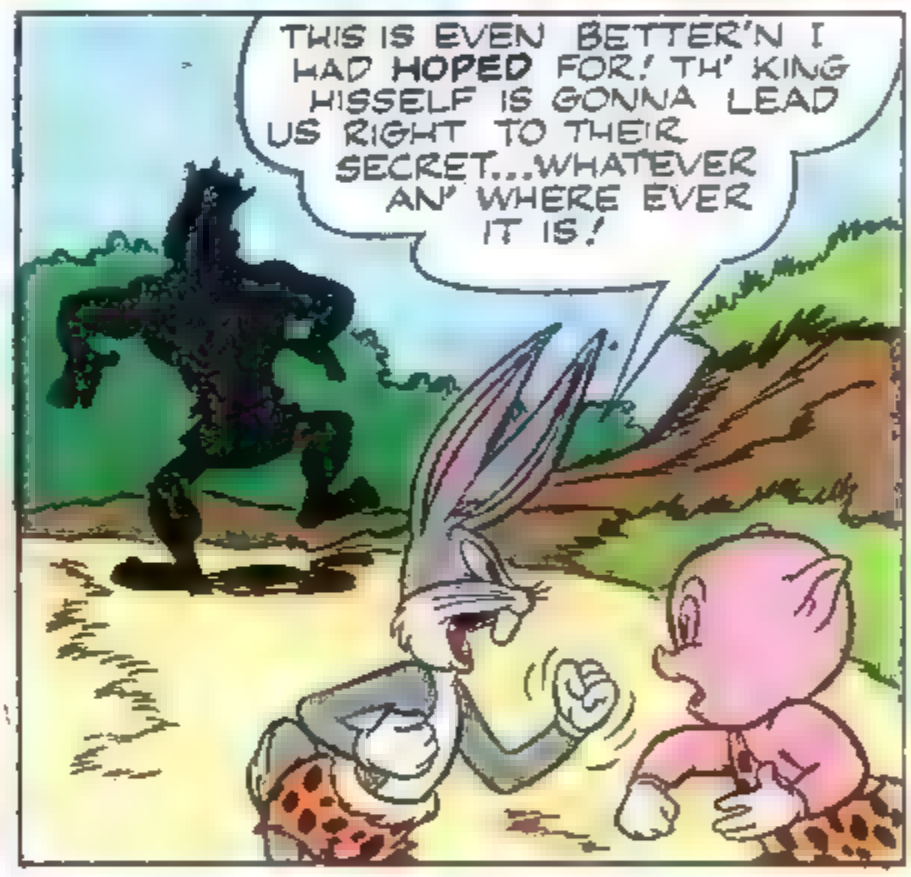
TH' WAY I WOULD'VE DONE IT IS... (GRUNT) (GRUNT)


HOPPIN' HOPTOADS! HE'S PULLIN' THAT GIANT TREE OUT BY TH' ROOTS...

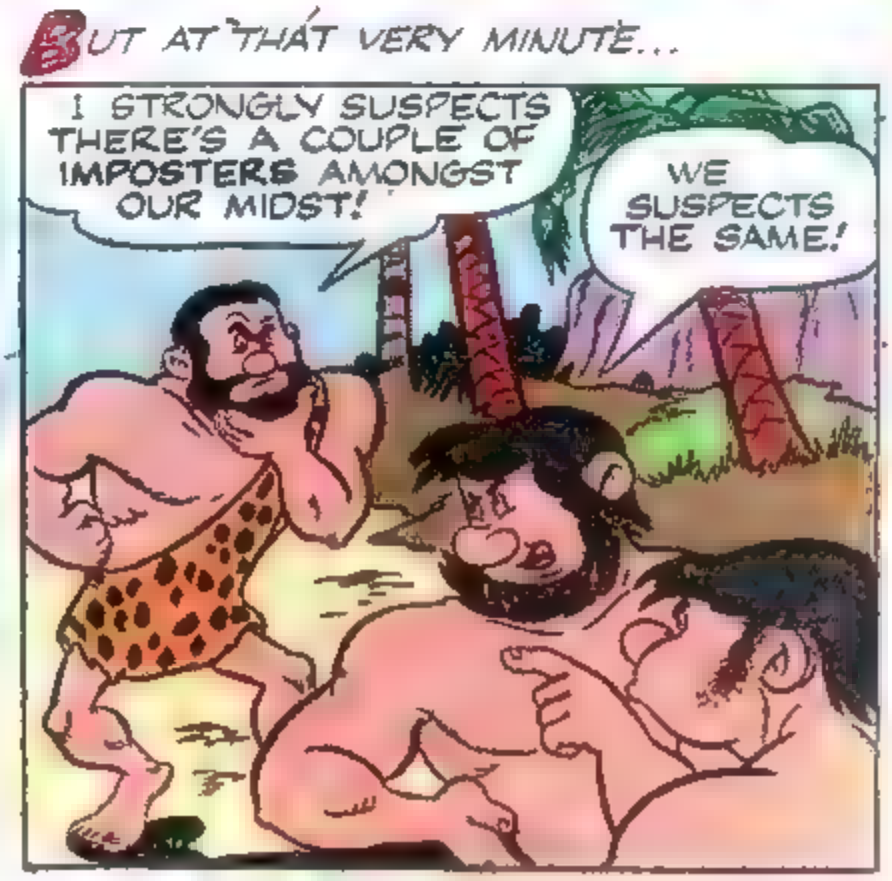

HMM... IT WAS SORT OF AN EFFORT FOR ME AT THAT! MUST BE GETTING A MITE WEAK!


WHAT WE BOTH NEED, SONNY, IS A SUPERSTRENGTH RECHARGE! SHALL WE GO GET ONE?

ER... A RECHARGE JOB? THAT'S JEST WHAT WE NEEDS, KINGY!... AFTER YOU, YER HIGHNESS!


THIS IS EVEN BETTER'N I HAD HOPED FOR! TH' KING HISSELF IS GONNA LEAD US RIGHT TO THEIR SECRET... WHATEVER AN' WHERE EVER IT IS!

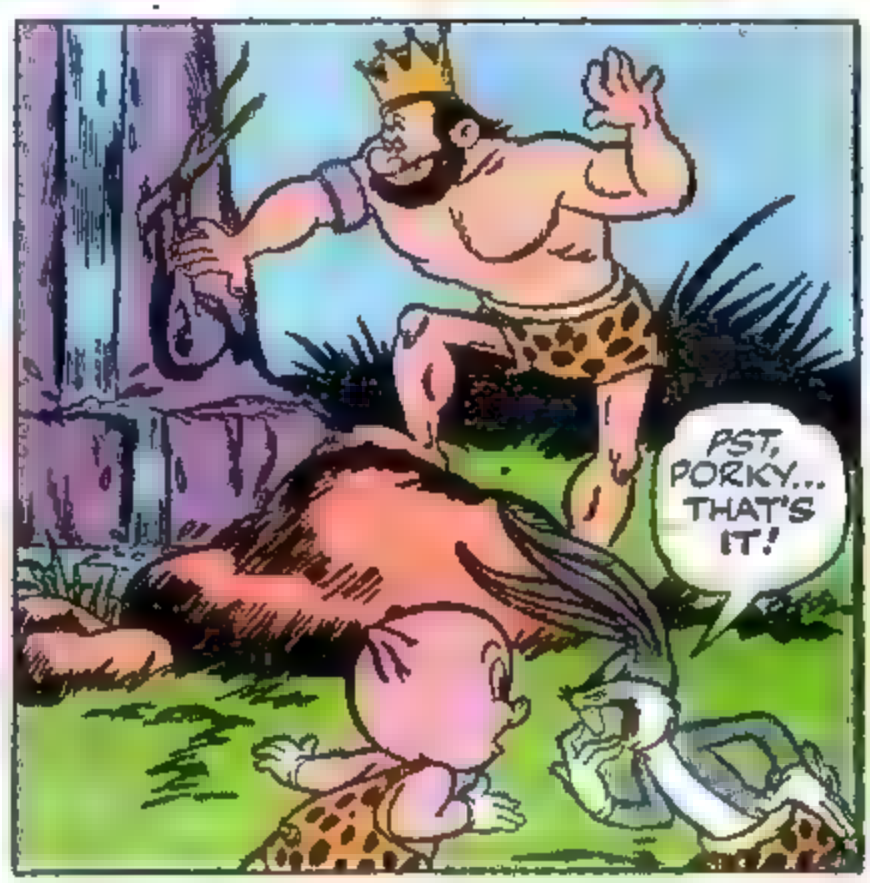
I J-JUST HOPE N-NOTHING GOES WRONG!
WE'RE ALL SET, PAL! NOTHIN' KIN GO WRONG NOW!

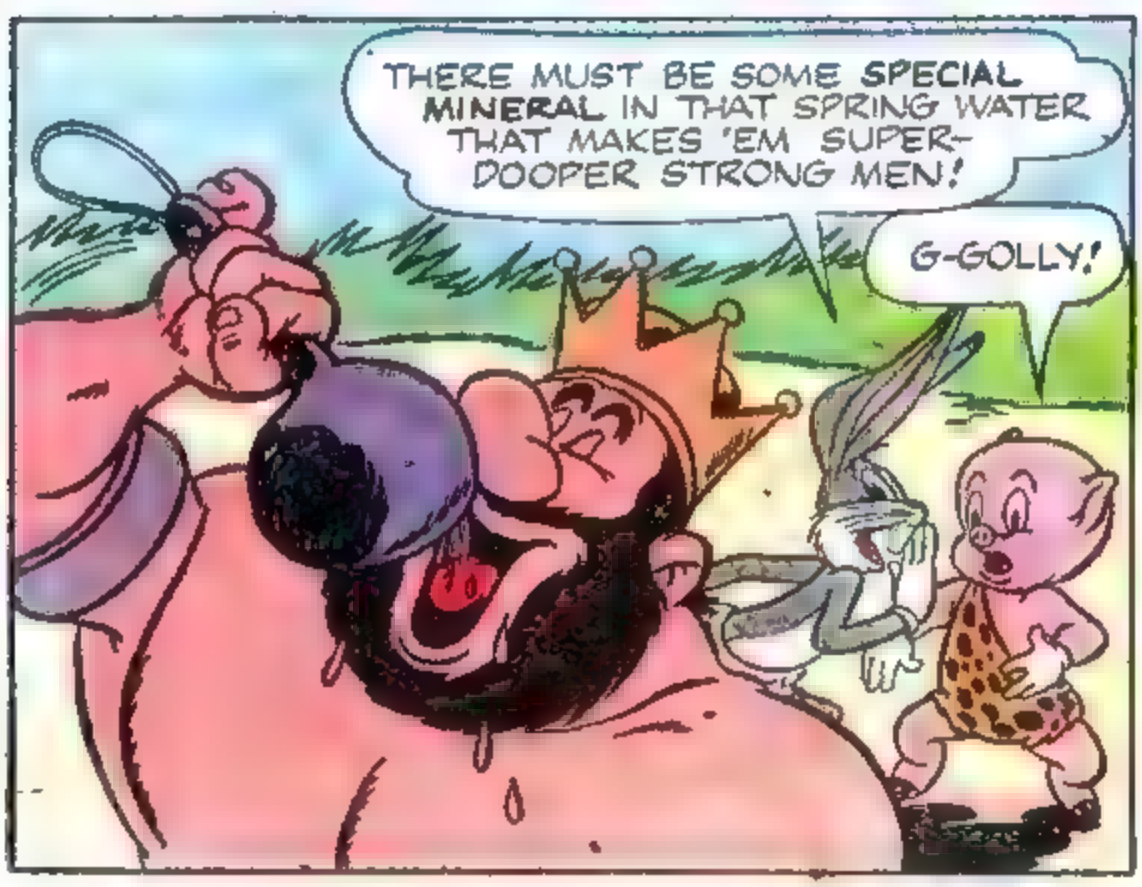

BUT AT THAT VERY MINUTE...
I STRONGLY SUSPECTS THERE'S A COUPLE OF IMPOSTERS AMONGST OUR MIDST!
WE SUSPECTS THE SAME!

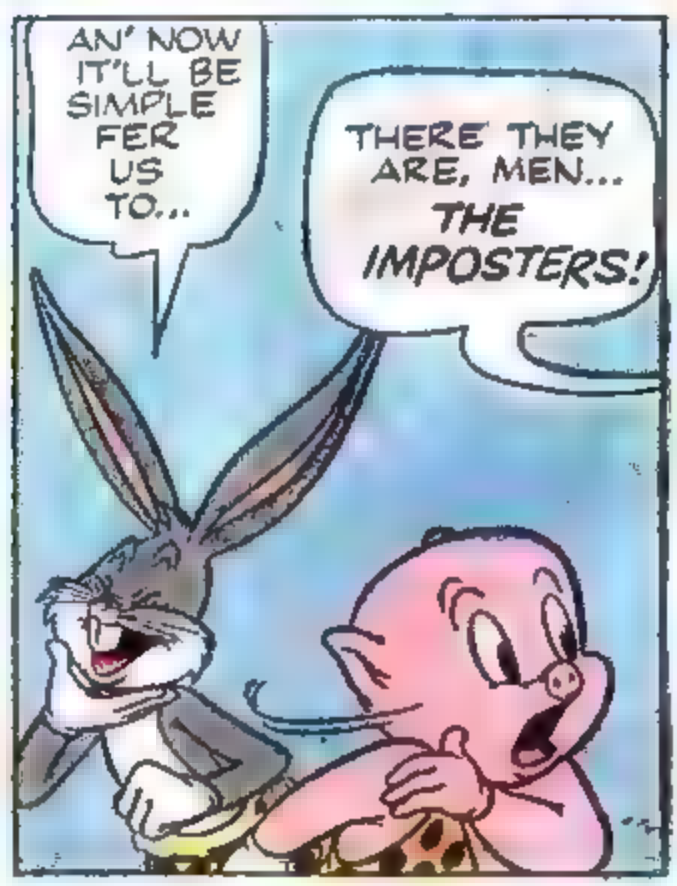
THEY'RE WEARIN' OUR LEOPARD SKINS! THEY SWIPED 'EM WHILE WE WERE IN SWIMMING!
(GRRR)

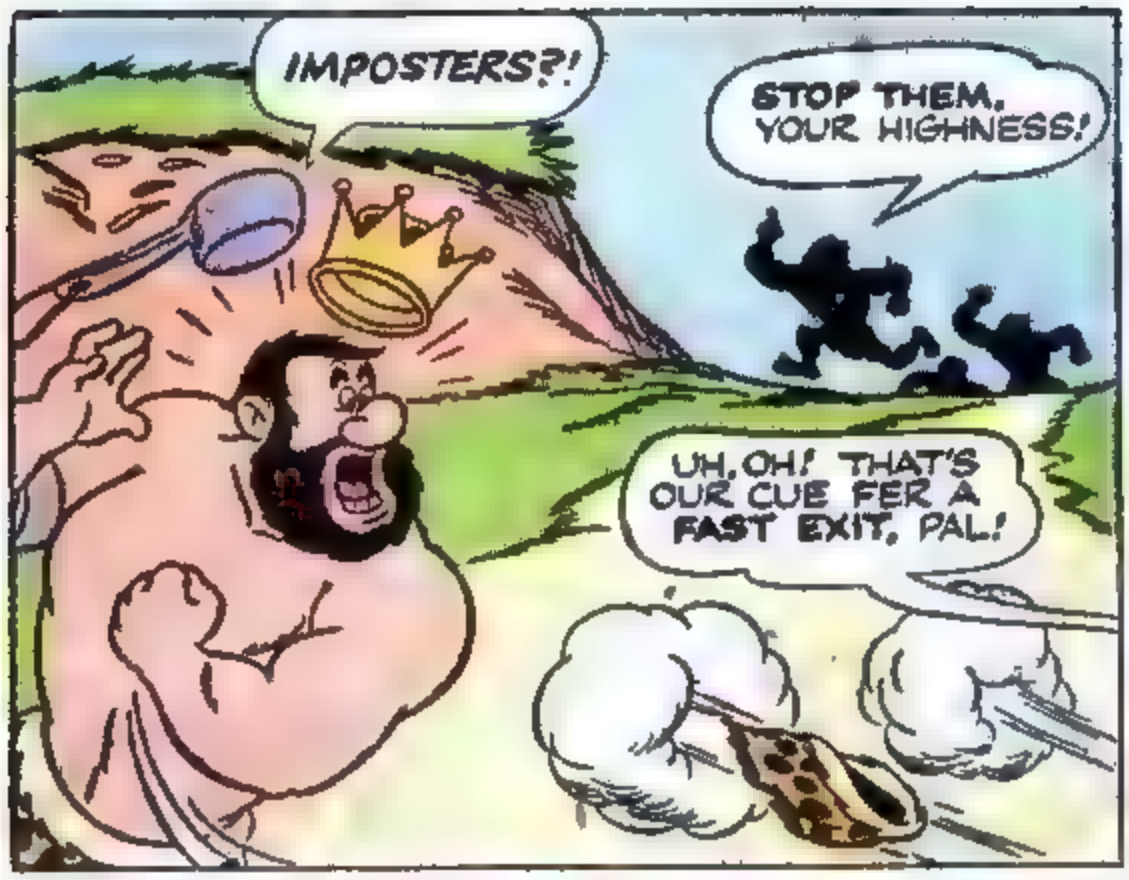
HMM... THEY'D BE AFTER ONE THING... TH' SECRET OF OUR SUPERSTRENGTH!

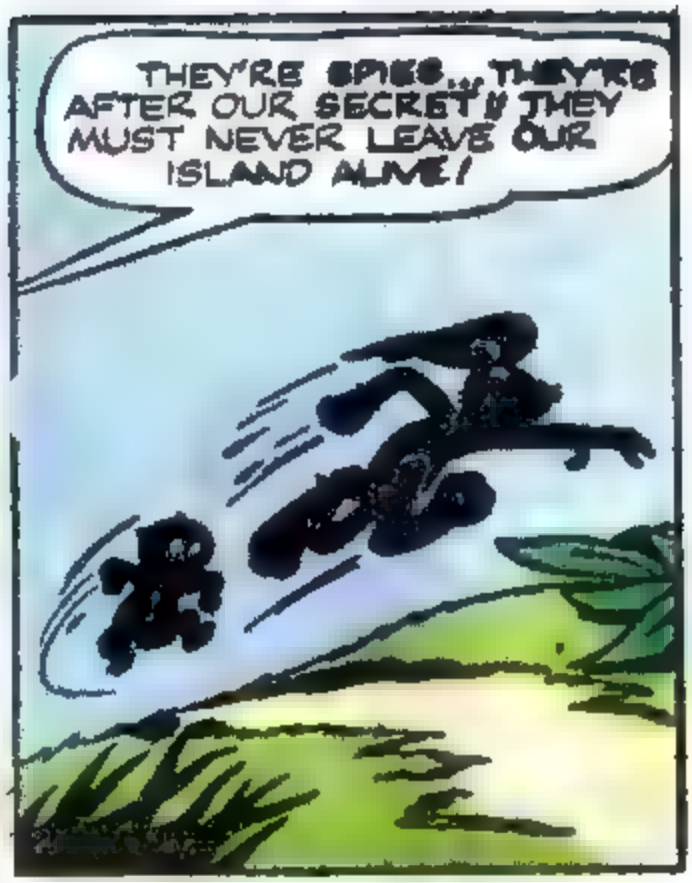
QUICK, MEN! TO TH' SPRING!! WHO KNOWS? THOSE VARMINTS MAY HAVE EVEN FOUND IT BY NOW!

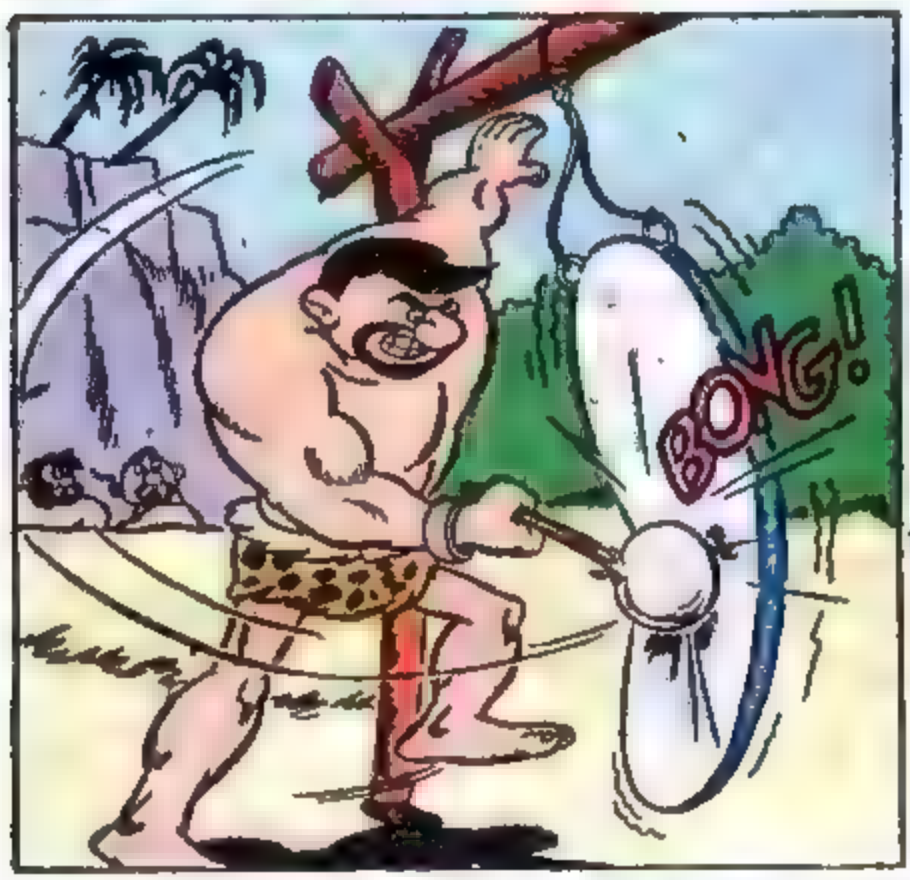

PST, PORKY... THAT'S IT!


THERE MUST BE SOME SPECIAL MINERAL IN THAT SPRING WATER THAT MAKES 'EM SUPER-DOOPER STRONG MEN!
G-GOLLY!


AN' NOW IT'LL BE SIMPLE FER US TO...
THERE THEY ARE, MEN... THE IMPOSTERS!


IMPOSTERS?!
STOP THEM, YOUR HIGHNESS!
UH, OH! THAT'S OUR CUE FER A FAST EXIT, PAL!


THEY'RE SPIES... THEY'RE AFTER OUR SECRET! THEY MUST NEVER LEAVE OUR ISLAND ALIVE!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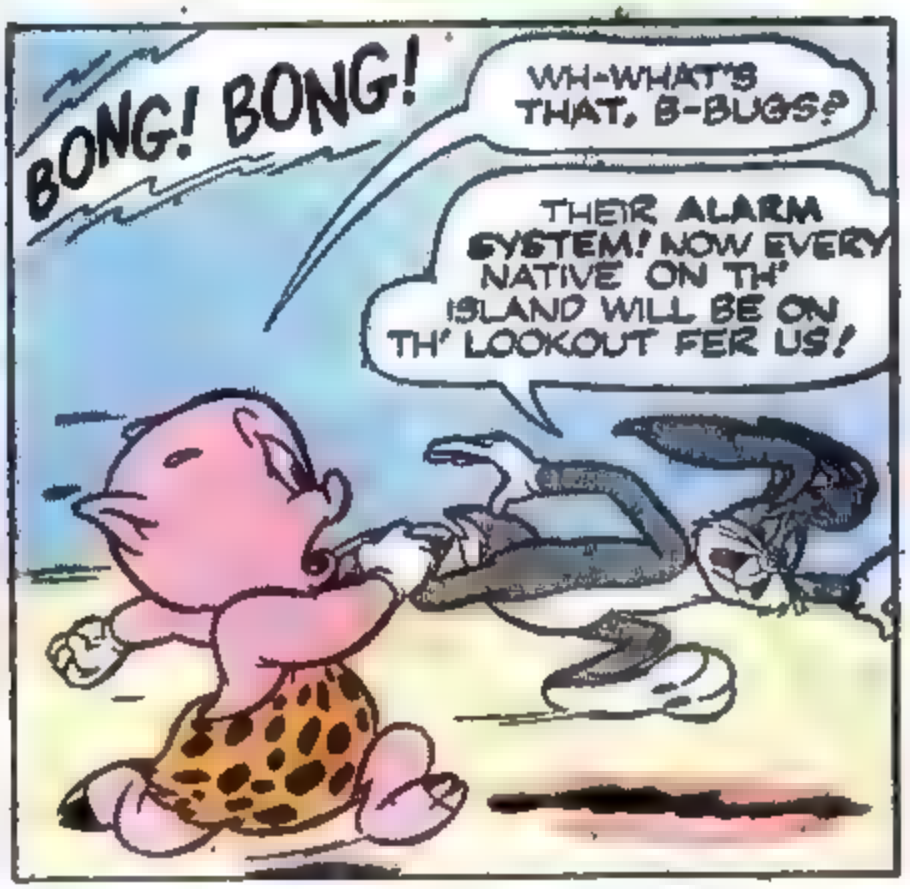
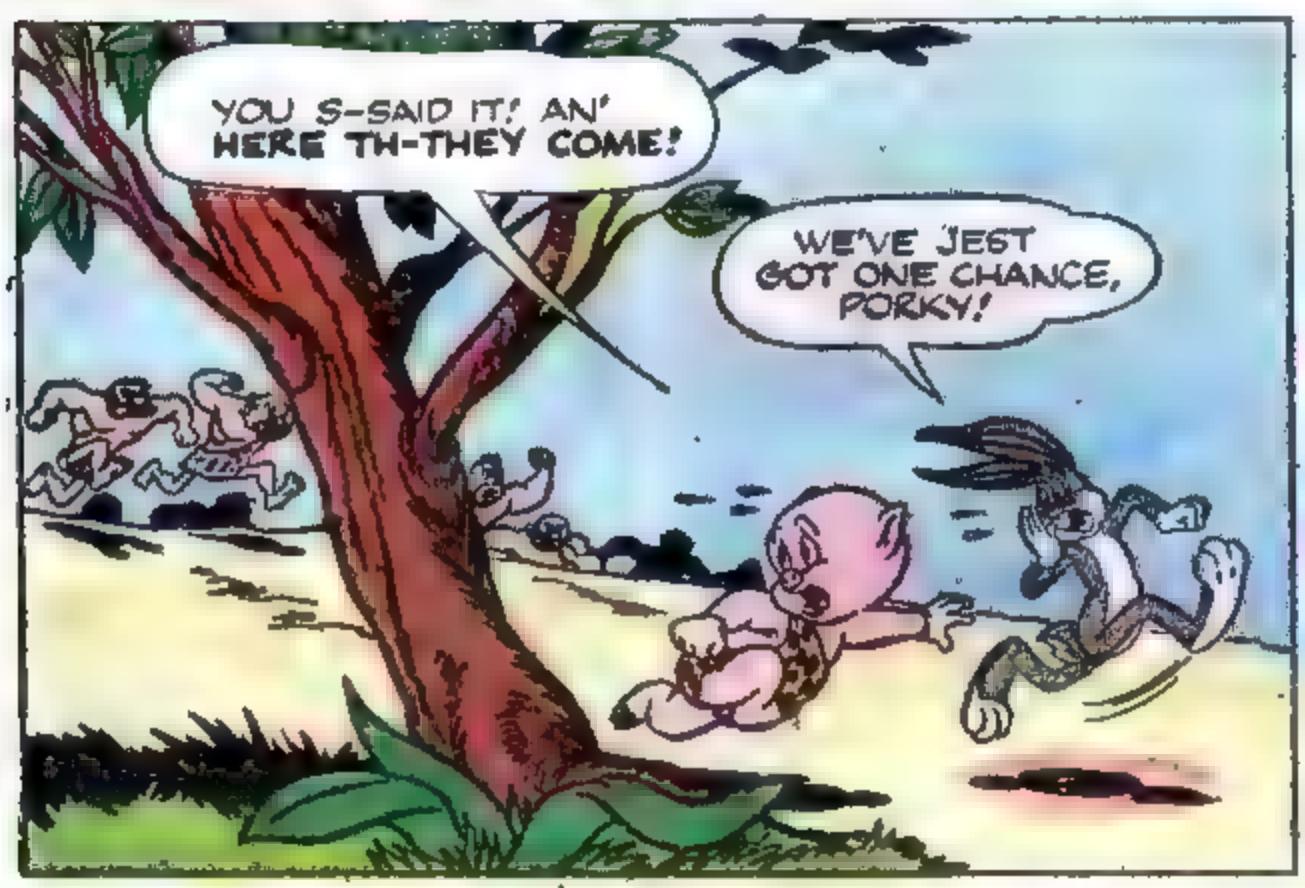
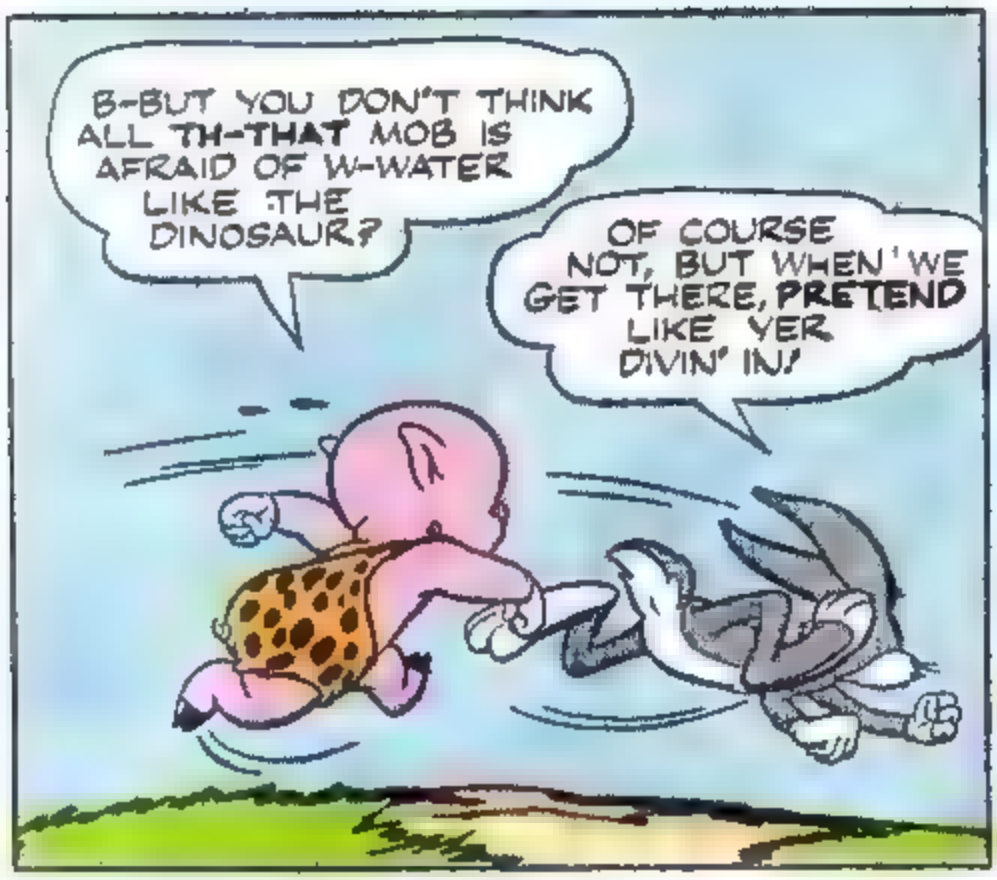
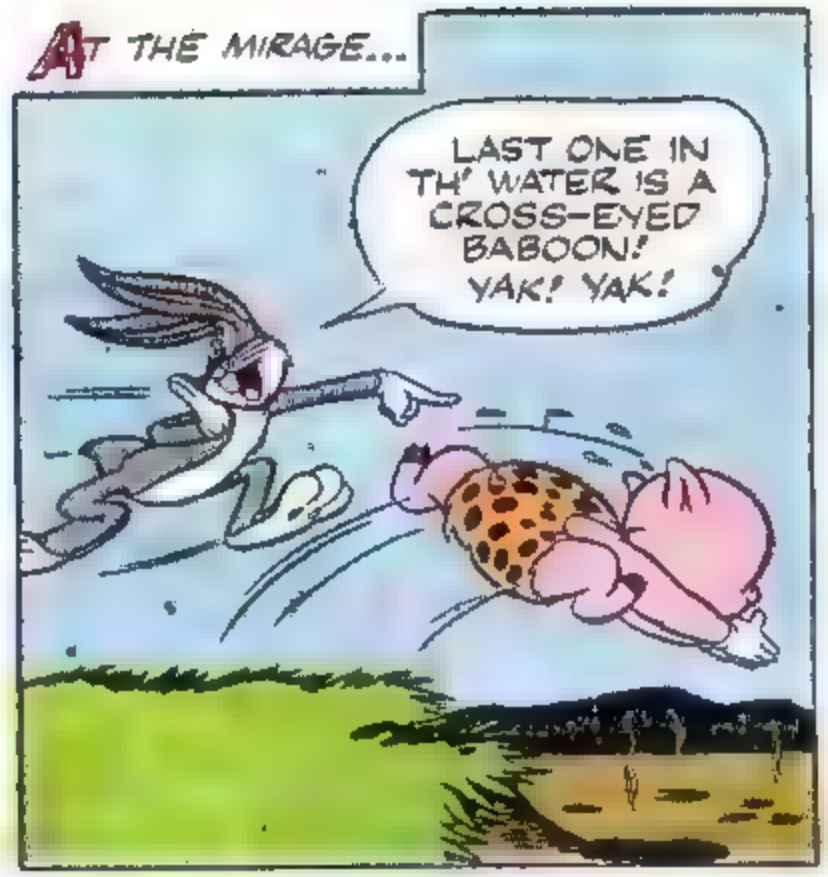
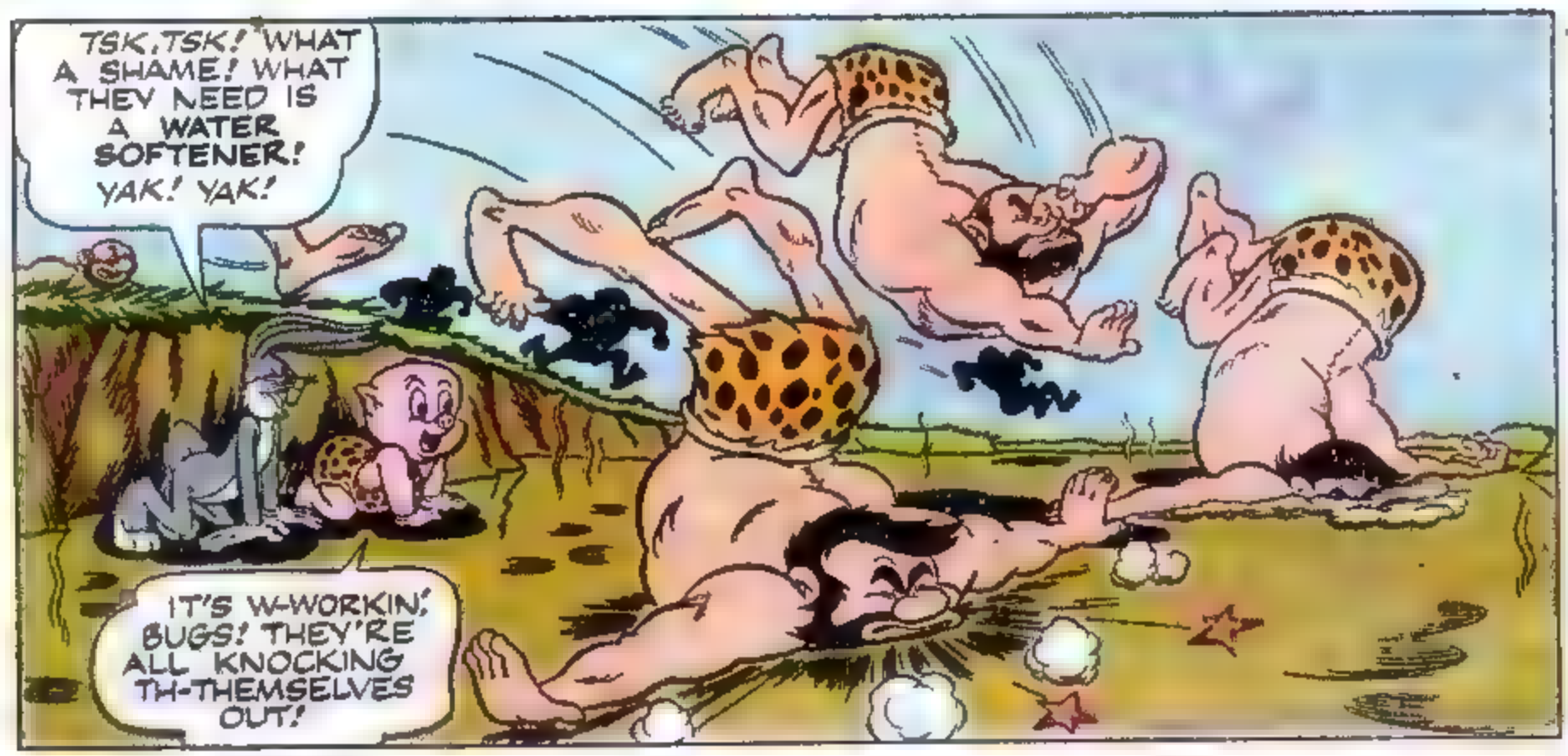

BONG! BONG!
WH-WHAT'S THAT, B-BUGS?
THEIR ALARM SYSTEM! NOW EVERY NATIVE ON TH' ISLAND WILL BE ON TH' LOOKOUT FER US!

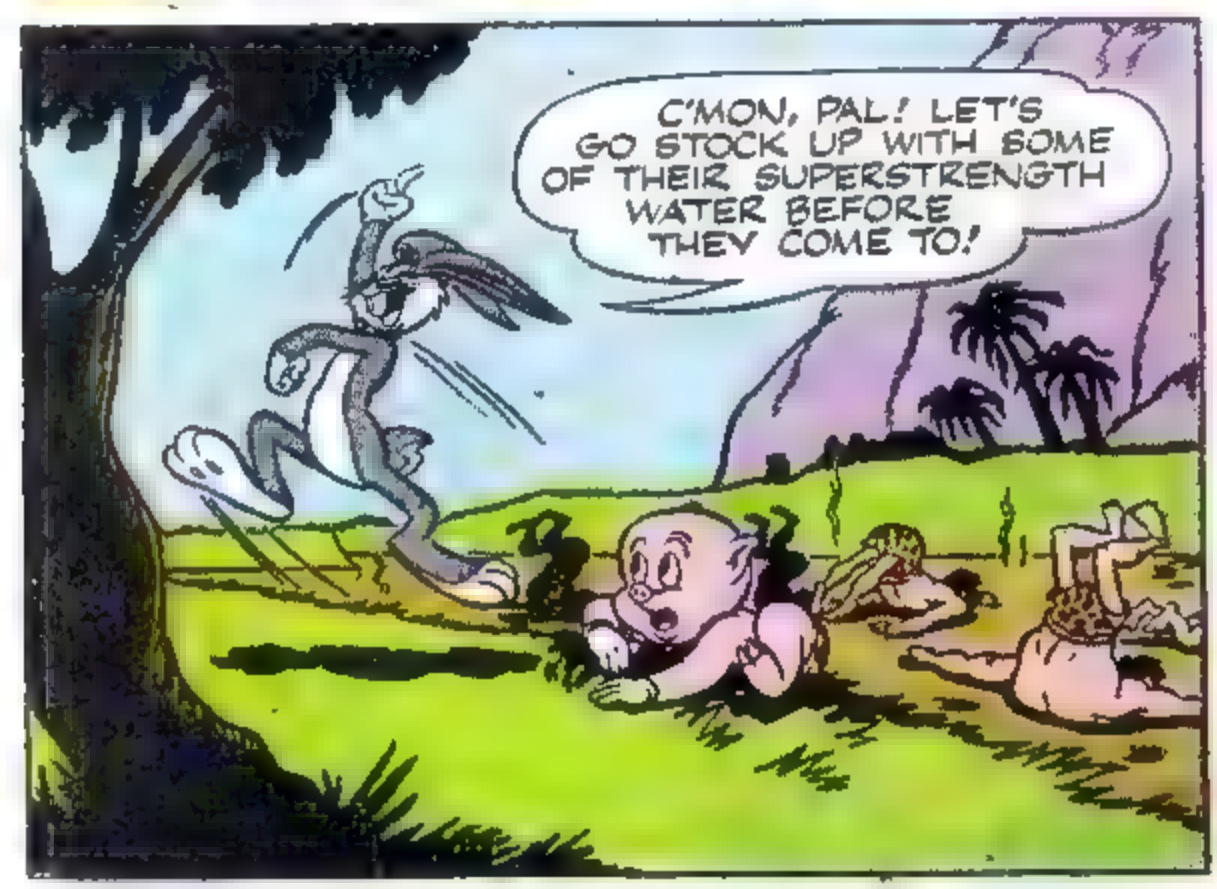

YOU S-SAID IT! AN' HERE TH-THEY COME!
WE'VE JEST GOT ONE CHANCE, PORKY!

I'VE GOT A FEELIN' THESE NATIVES ARE LONG ON STRENGTH, BUT SHORT ON BRAINS! LET'S HEAD FER TH' MIRAGE!


B-BUT YOU DON'T THINK ALL TH-THAT MOB IS AFRAID OF W-WATER LIKE THE DINOSAUR?
OF COURSE NOT, BUT WHEN WE GET THERE, PRETEND LIKE YER DIVIN' IN!


AT THE MIRAGE...
LAST ONE IN TH' WATER IS A CROSS-EYED BABOON! YAK! YAK!


TSK, TSK! WHAT A SHAME! WHAT THEY NEED IS A WATER SOFTENER! YAK! YAK!
IT'S W-WORKIN', BUGS! THEY'RE ALL KNOCKING TH-THEMSELVES OUT!

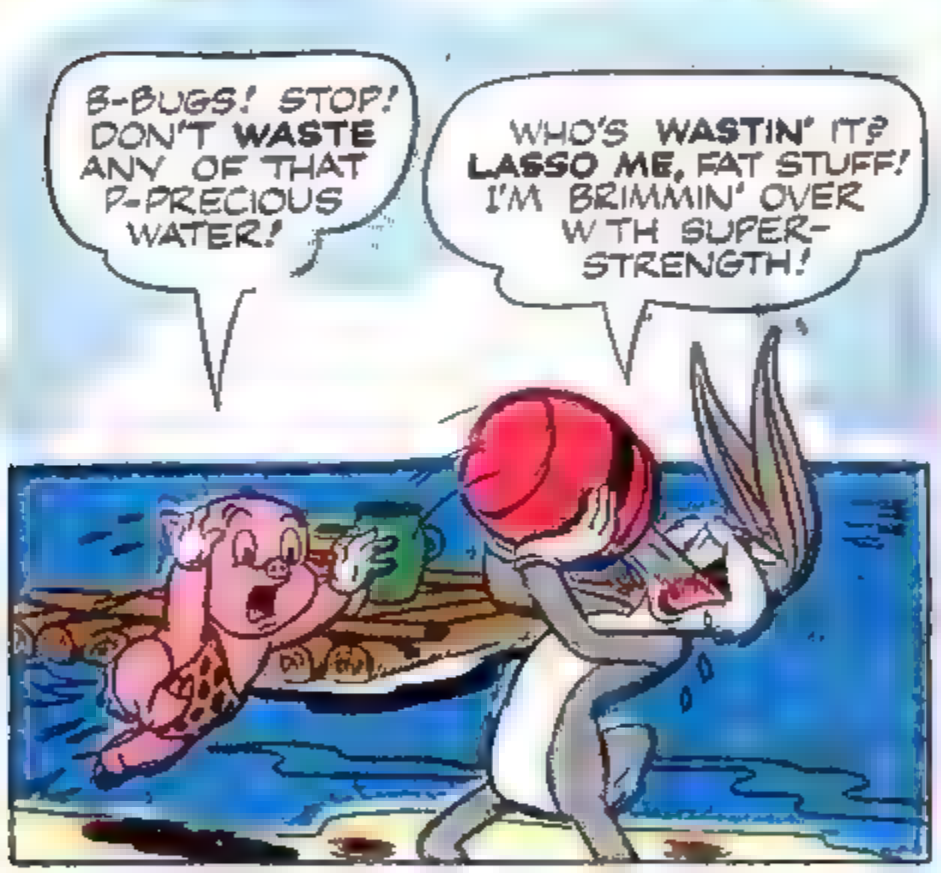

C'MON, PAL! LET'S GO STOCK UP WITH SOME OF THEIR SUPERSTRENGTH WATER BEFORE THEY COME TO!

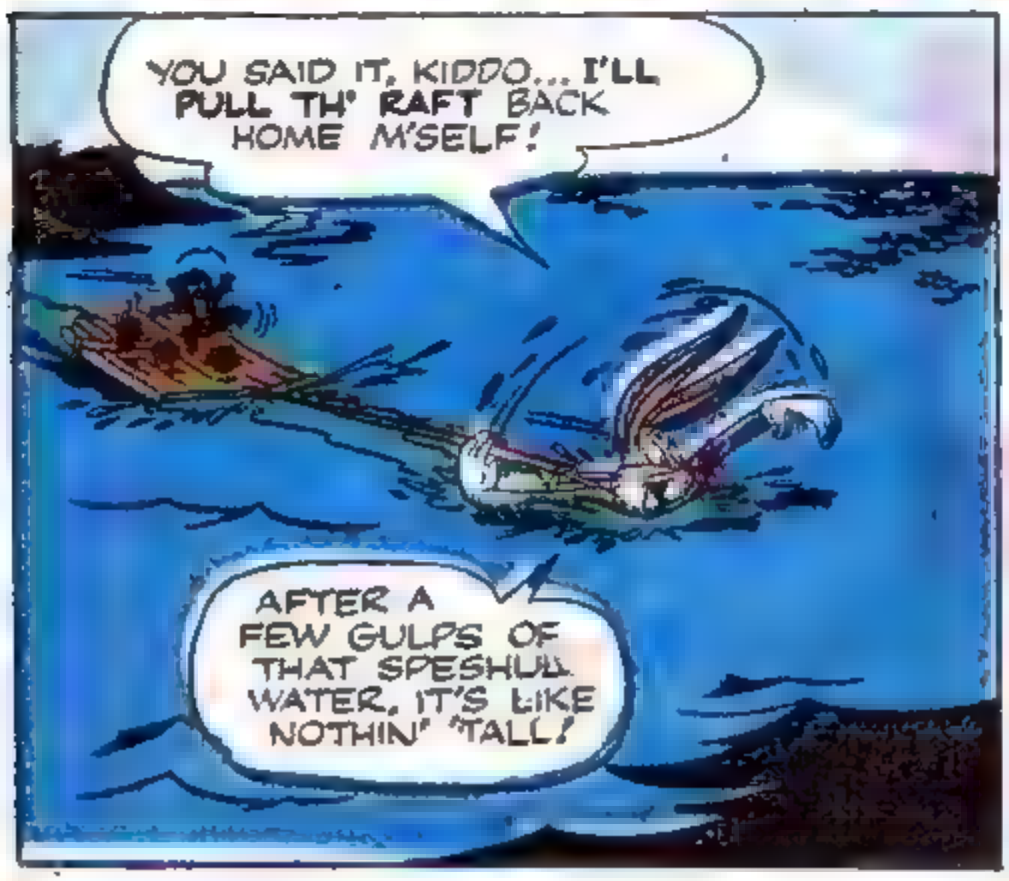
JEST TH' THING! WE'LL BORROW THEIR NATIVE CROCKERY AN' FILL 'EM WITH THAT RARE WATER!

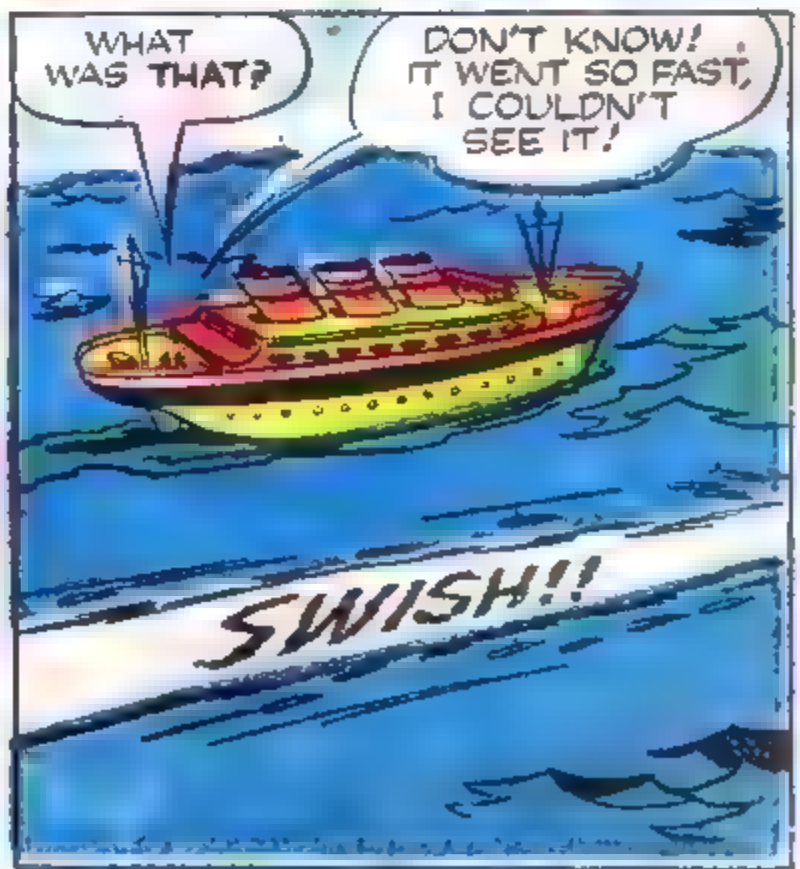
AFTER WORKING FRANTICALLY, THE BOYS NOT ONLY HAVE A LARGE SUPPLY OF THE PRICELESS WATER, BUT THEY ALSO, CONSTRUCT A RAFT...

S-SURE, WE'VE GOT A RAFT, BUT IT'S STILL A L-LONG WAY HOME... WE CAN'T **ROW** THAT F-FAR!

ROW? WHO'S GONNA ROW? **WATCH THIS!**





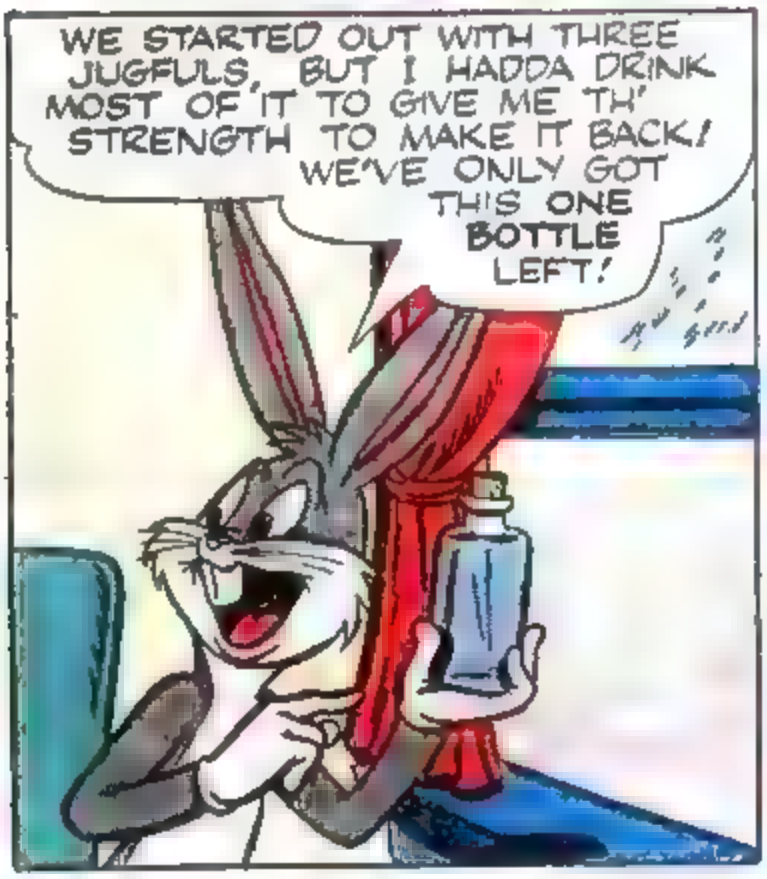


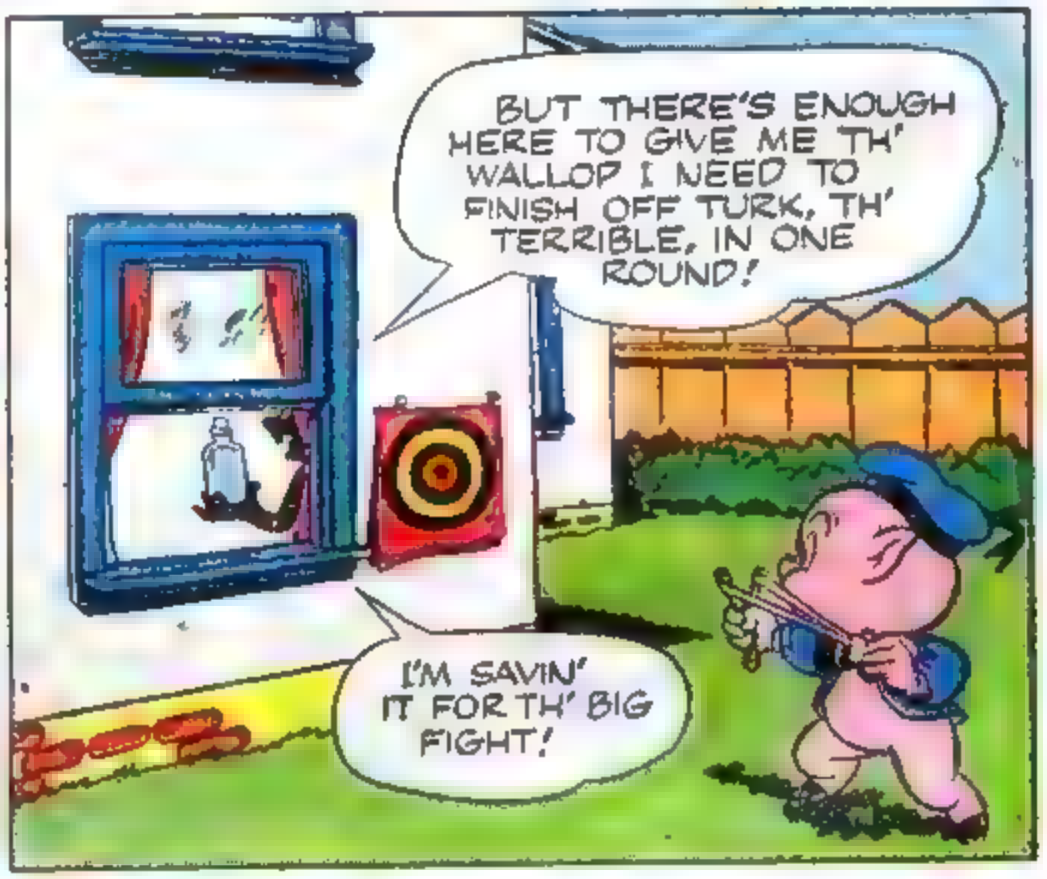
A FEW DAYS LATER...

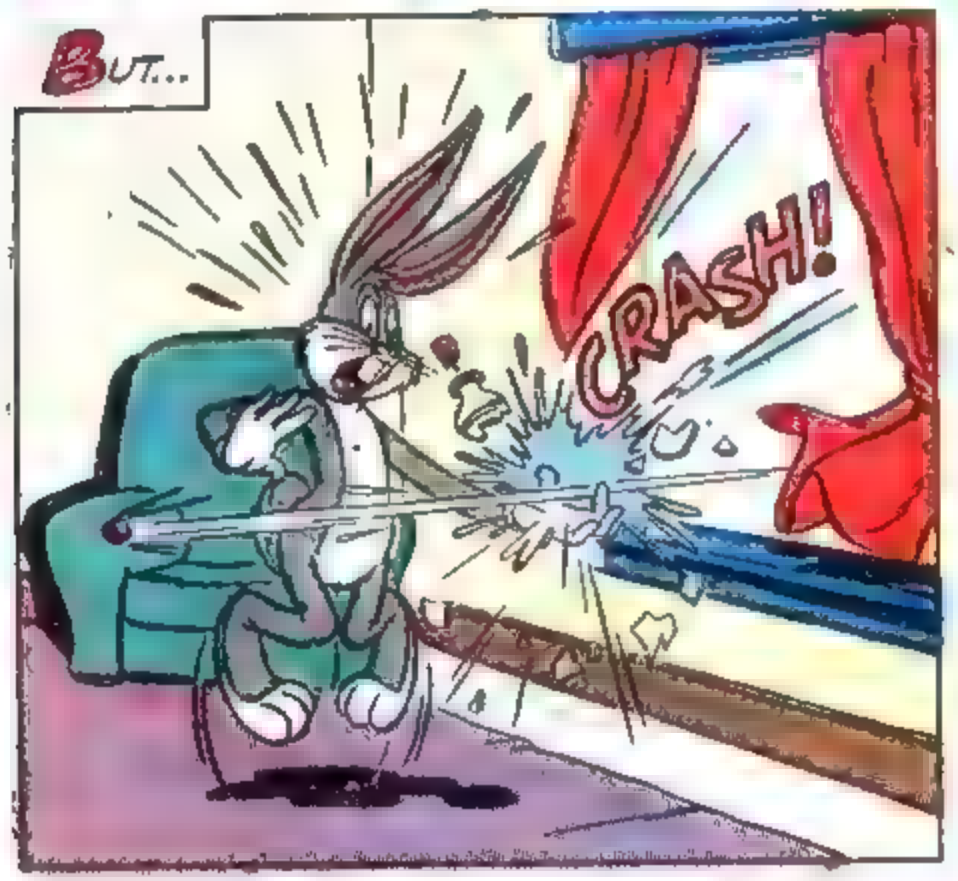
WHAT! YOU BOYS EXPECT ME TO BELIEVE SUCH A STORY?

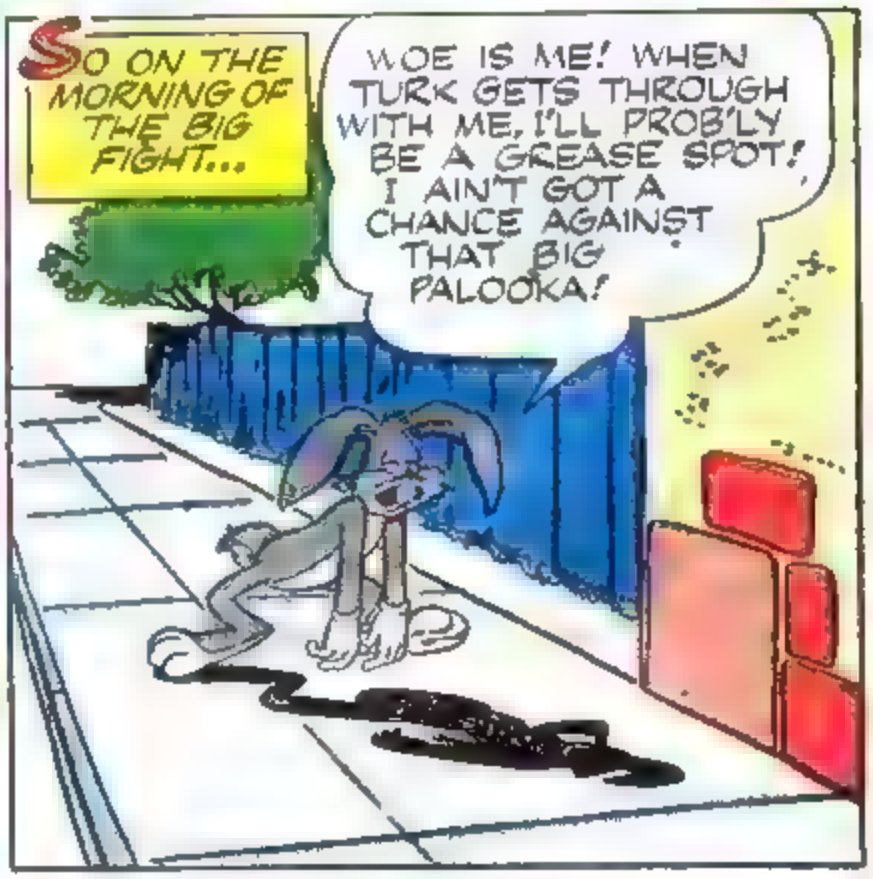
IT'S TH' T-TRUTH! BUGS SWAM ALL TH' WAY H-HOME, PULLING OUR RAFT!

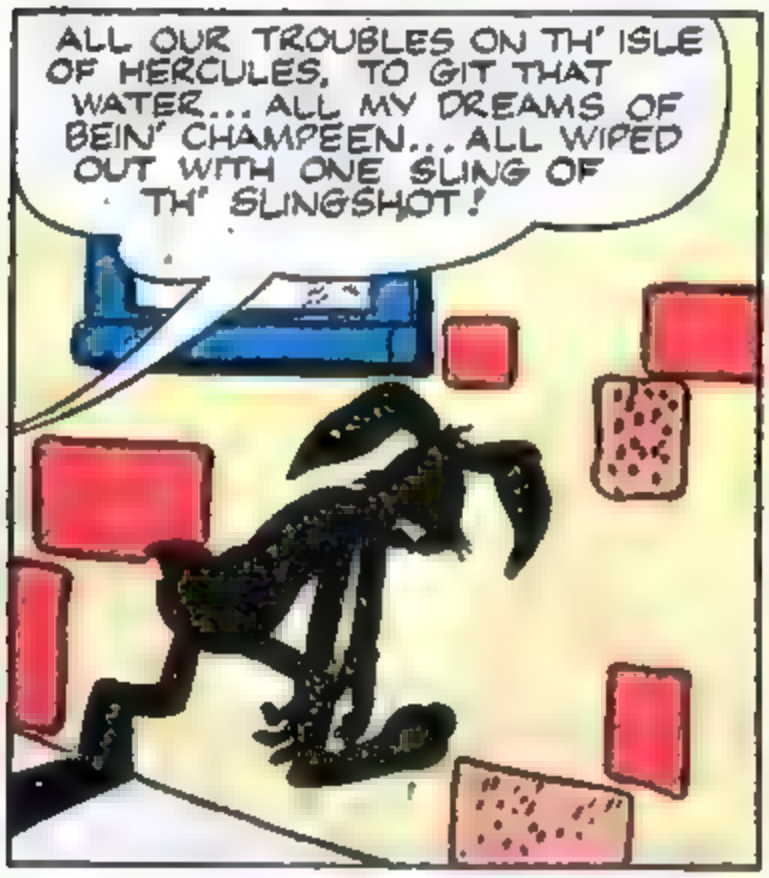
WE KNOWS IT SOUNDS FANTASTICAL, BUT THIS HERE SUPERSTRENGTH WATER IS POWERFUL STUFF!

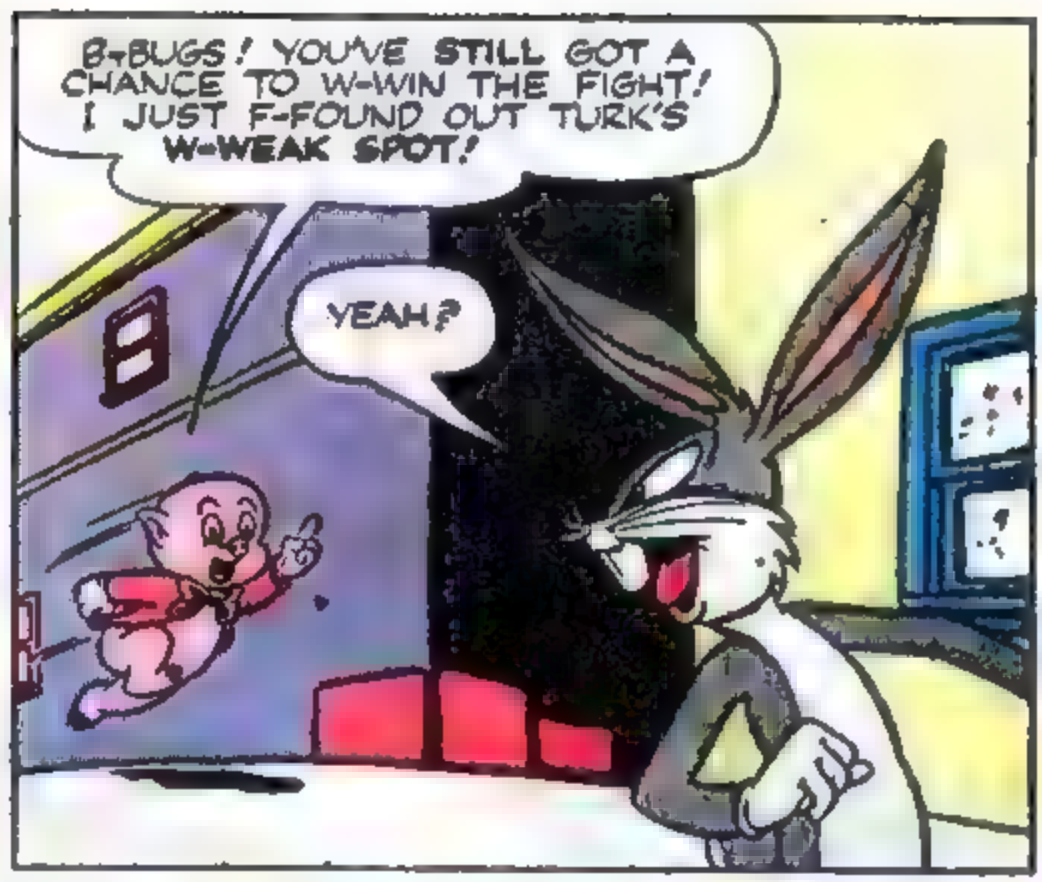


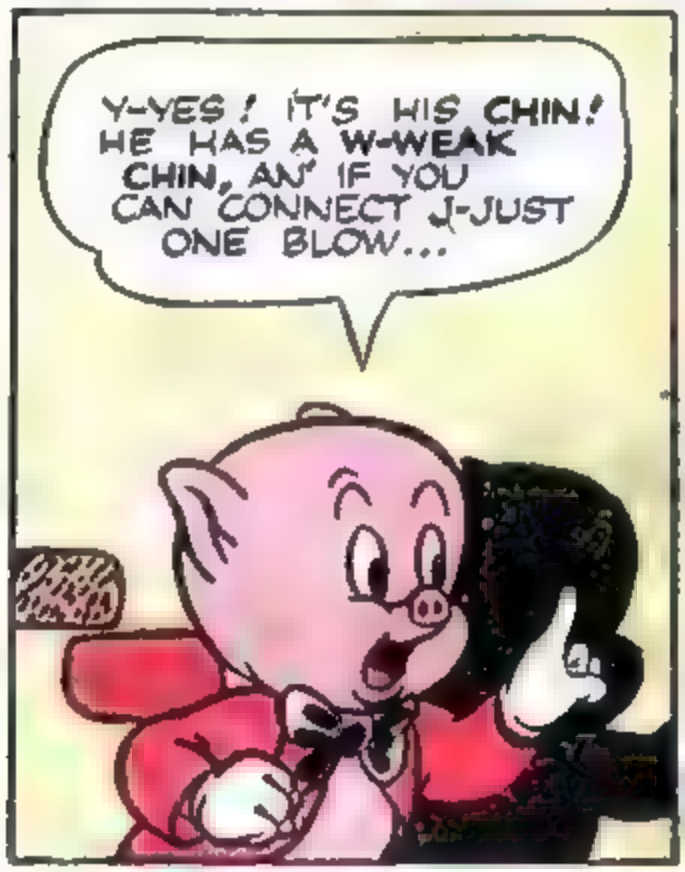


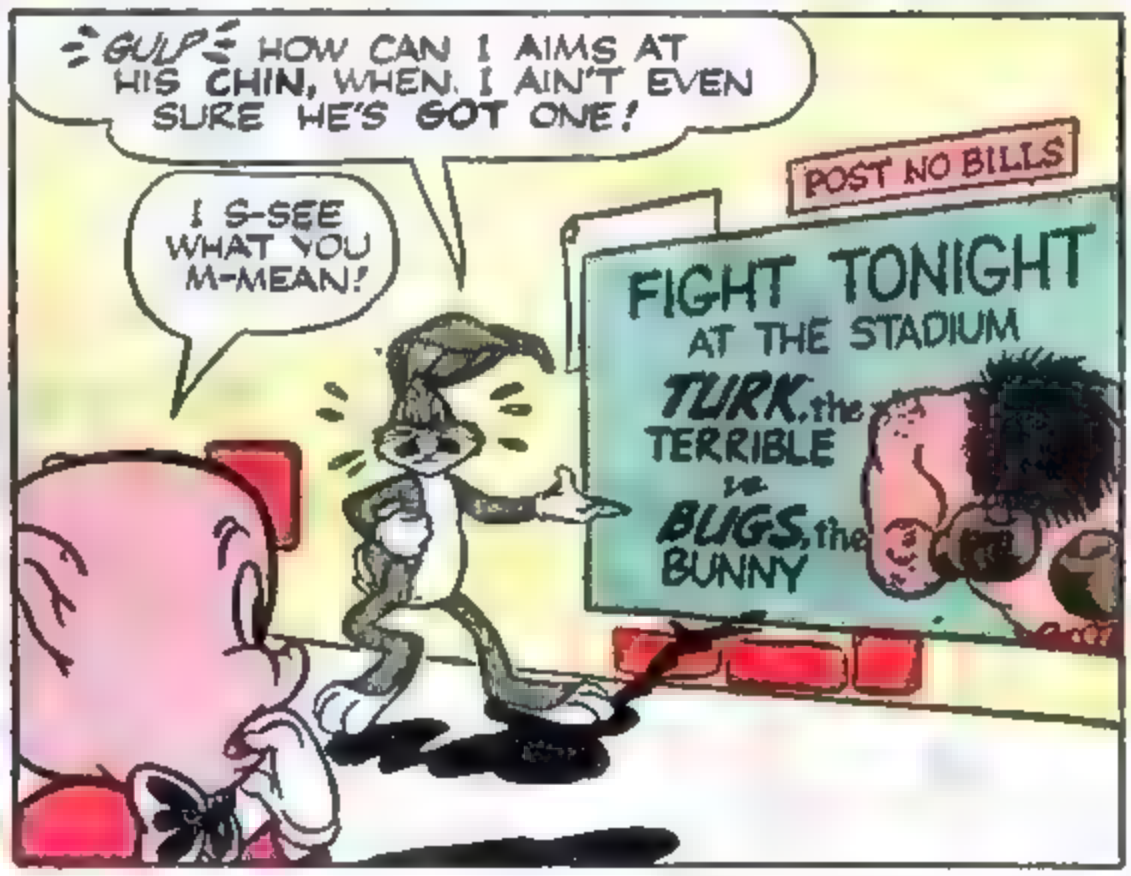


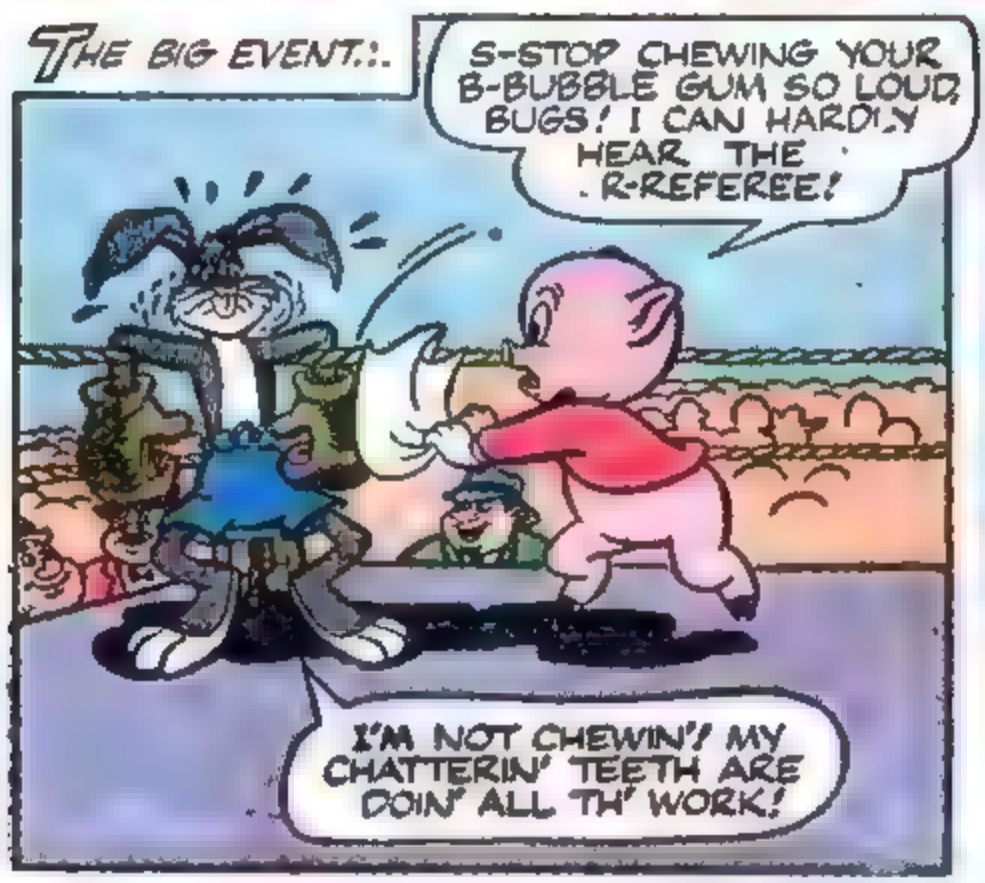



ALL OUR TROUBLES ON TH' ISLE OF HERCULES, TO GIT THAT WATER... ALL MY DREAMS OF BEIN' CHAMPEEN... ALL WIPED OUT WITH ONE SLING OF TH' SLINGSHOT!

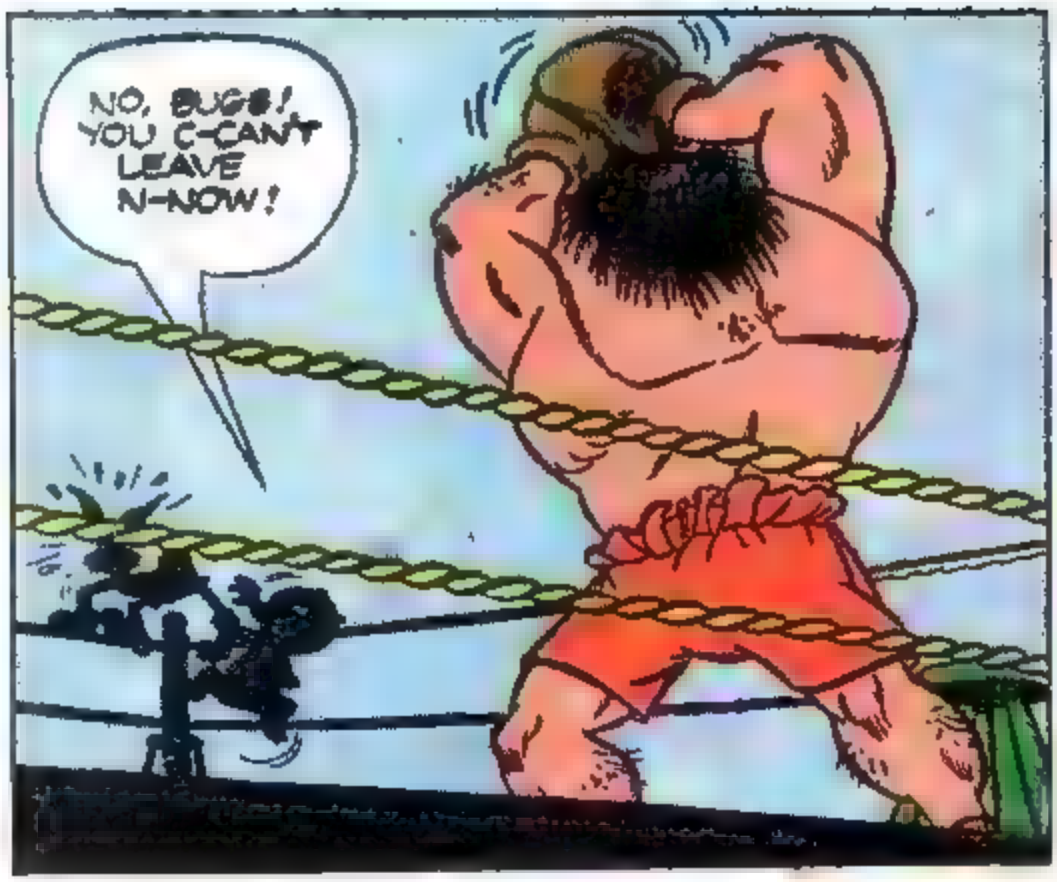

B-BUGS! YOU'VE STILL GOT A CHANCE TO W-WIN THE FIGHT! I JUST F-FOUND OUT TURK'S W-WEAK SPOT!
YEAH?

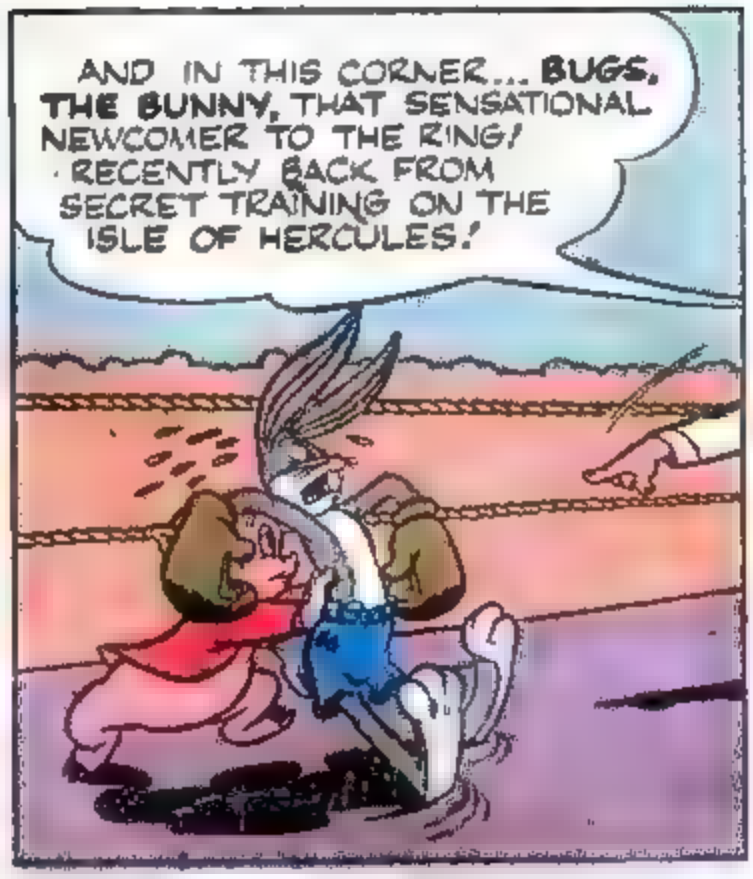

Y-YES! IT'S HIS CHIN! HE HAS A W-WEAK CHIN, AN' IF YOU CAN CONNECT J-JUST ONE BLOW...

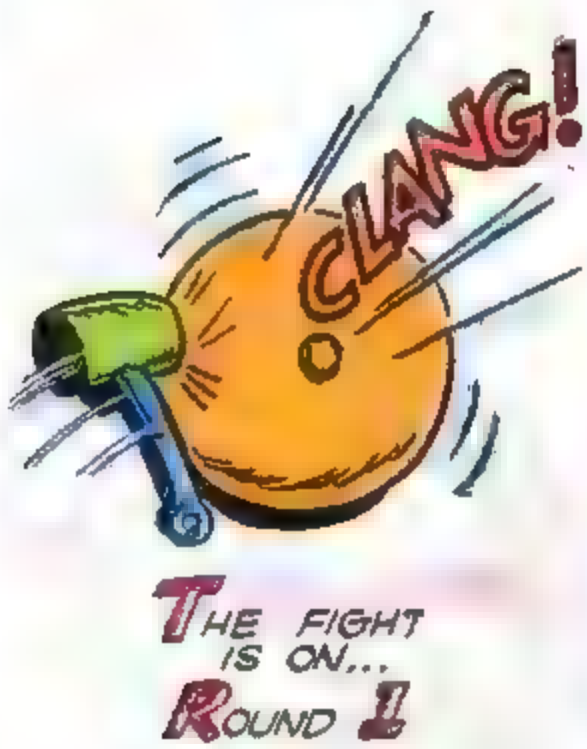

GULP HOW CAN I AIMS AT HIS CHIN, WHEN I AIN'T EVEN SURE HE'S GOT ONE!
I S-SEE WHAT YOU M-MEAN!
POST NO BILLS
FIGHT TONIGHT
AT THE STADIUM
TURK, the TERRIBLE
vs.
BUGS, the BUNNY

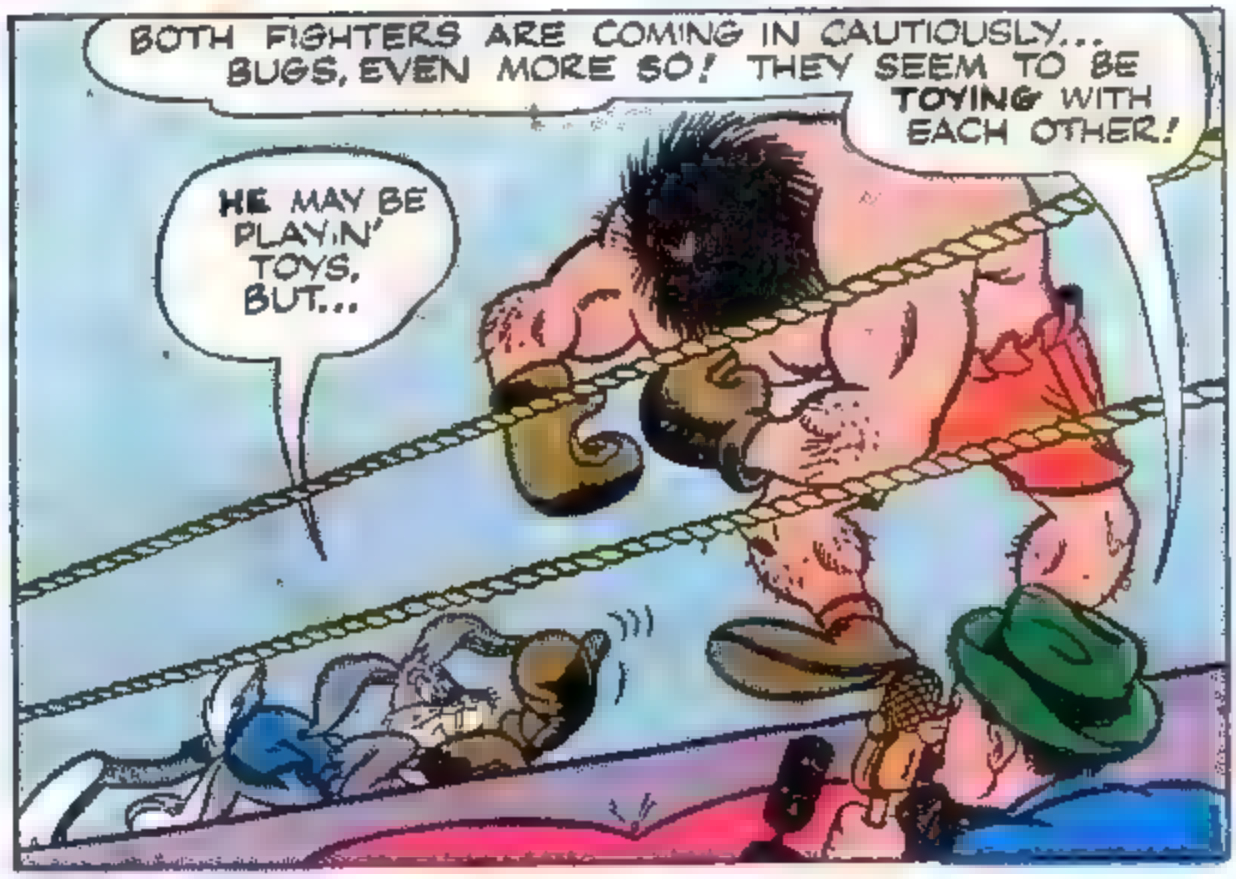

THE BIG EVENT:.
S-STOP CHEWING YOUR B-BUBBLE GUM SO LOUD, BUGS! I CAN HARDLY HEAR THE R-REFEREE!
I'M NOT CHEWIN'! MY CHATTERIN' TEETH ARE DOIN' ALL TH' WORK!

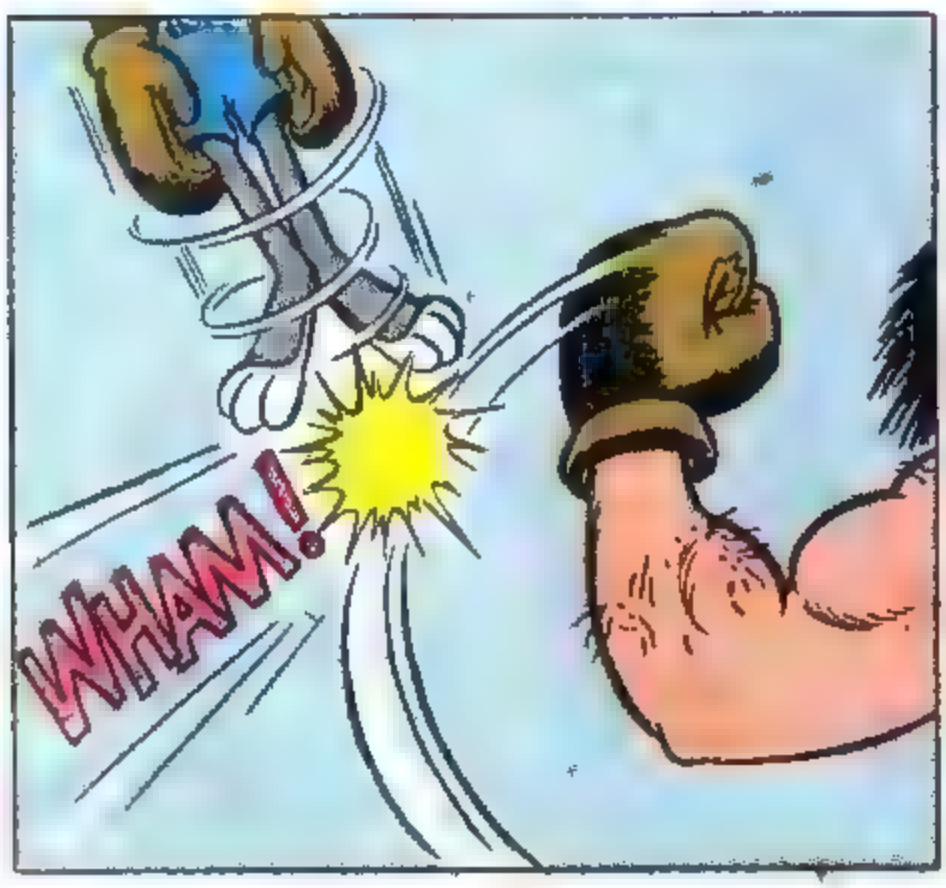
IN THIS CORNER... TURK, THE TERRIBLE, AT 310 POUNDS!


NO, BUGS! YOU C-CAN'T LEAVE N-NOW!

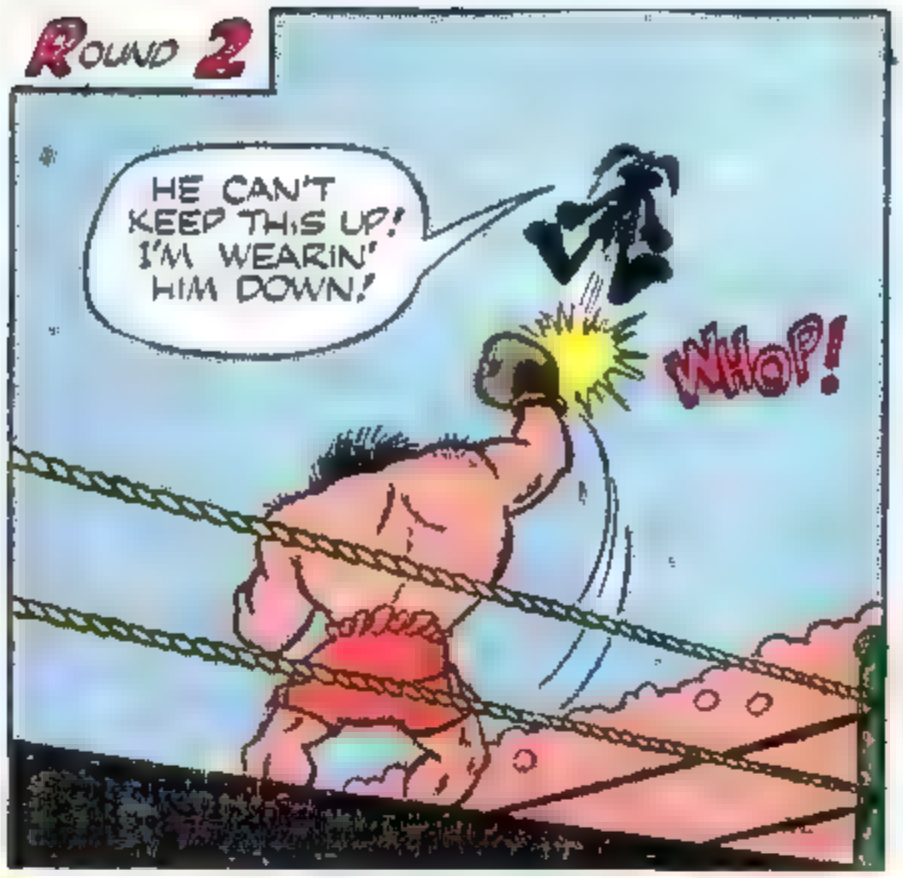

AND IN THIS CORNER... BUGS, THE BUNNY, THAT SENSATIONAL NEWCOMER TO THE RING! RECENTLY BACK FROM SECRET TRAINING ON THE ISLE OF HERCULES!

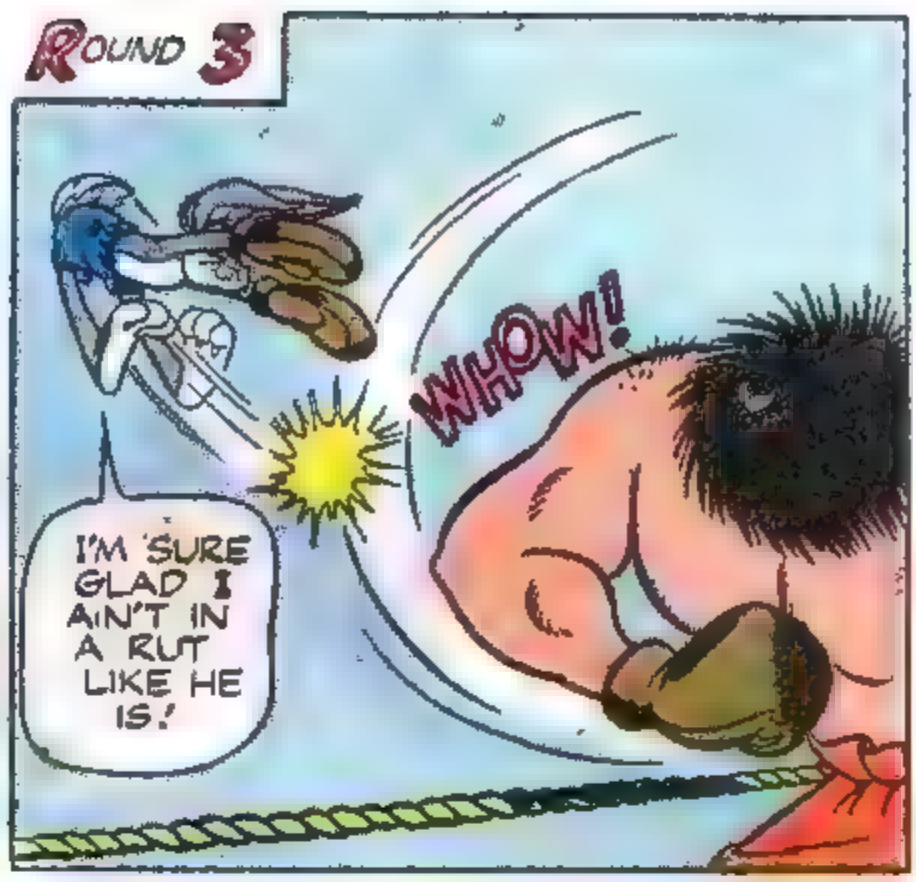

CLANG!
THE FIGHT IS ON... ROUND 1


BOTH FIGHTERS ARE COMING IN CAUTIOUSLY... BUGS, EVEN MORE SO! THEY SEEM TO BE TOYING WITH EACH OTHER!
HE MAY BE PLAYIN' TOYS, BUT...

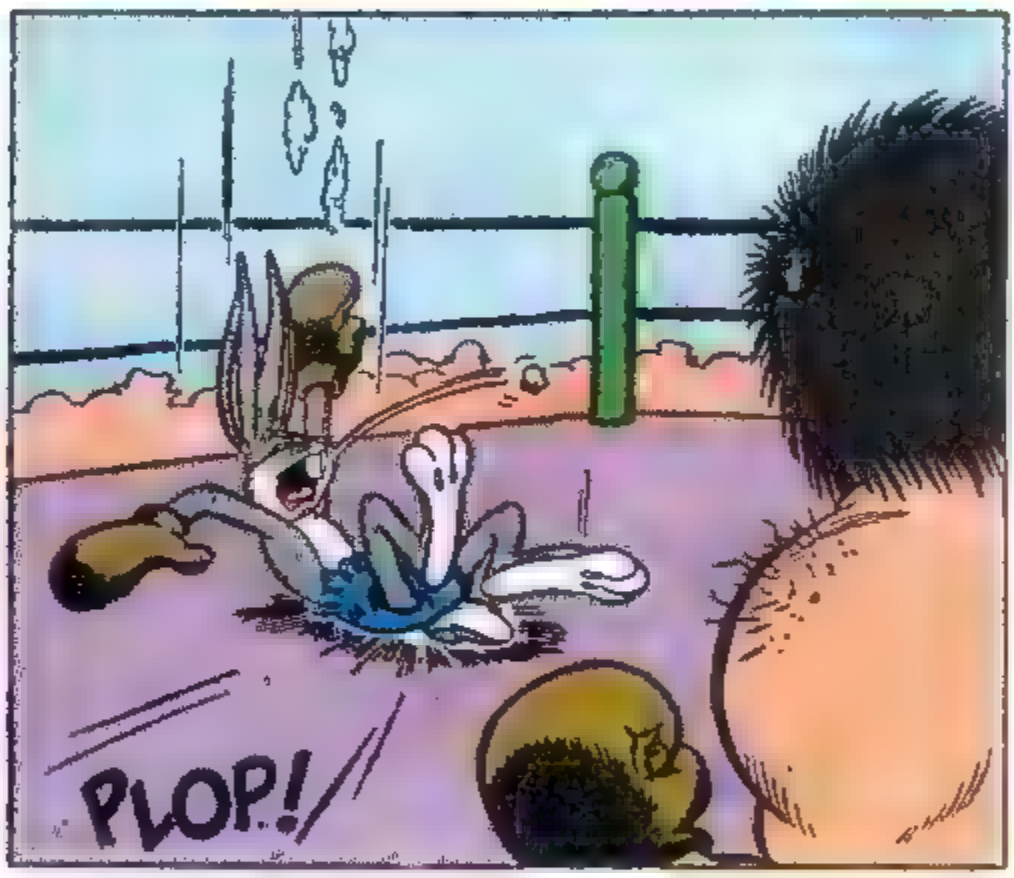

WHAM!

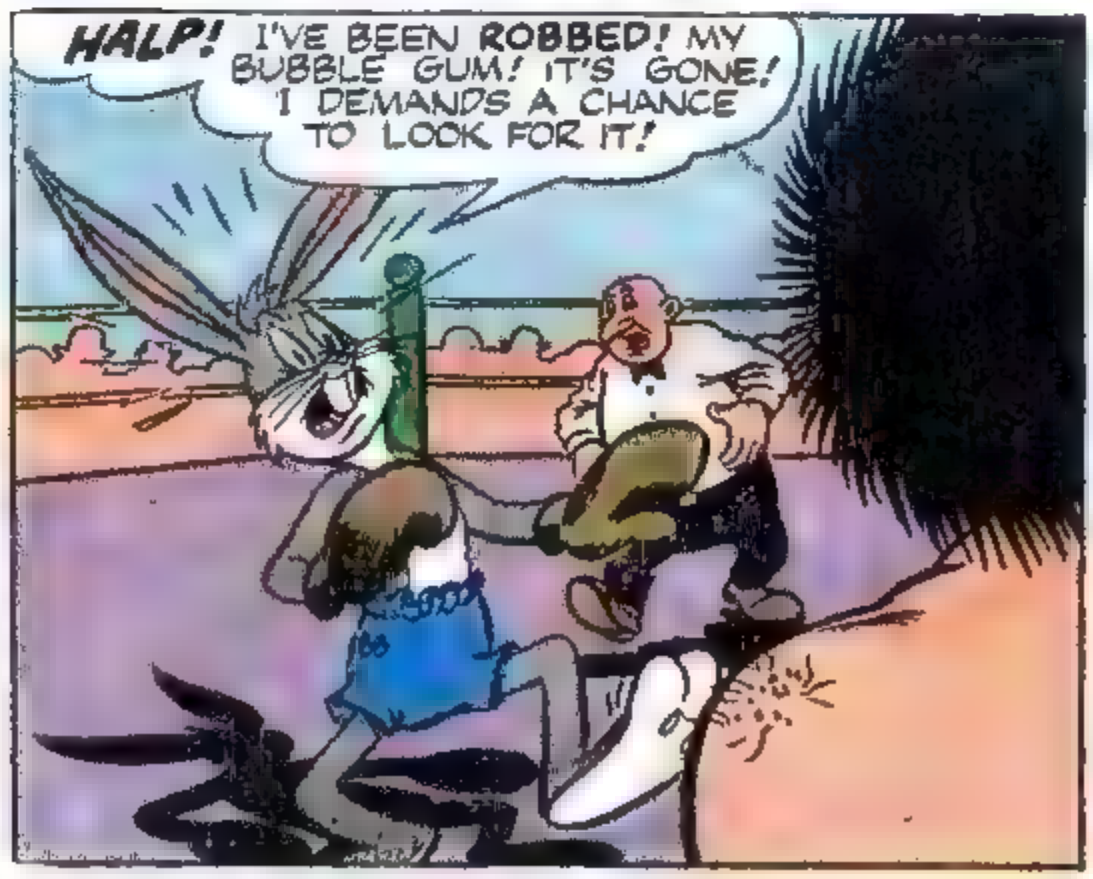
YEP! HE'S PLAYIN' TOYS, ALL RIGHT... TH' GUY THINKS I'M A YO-YO!

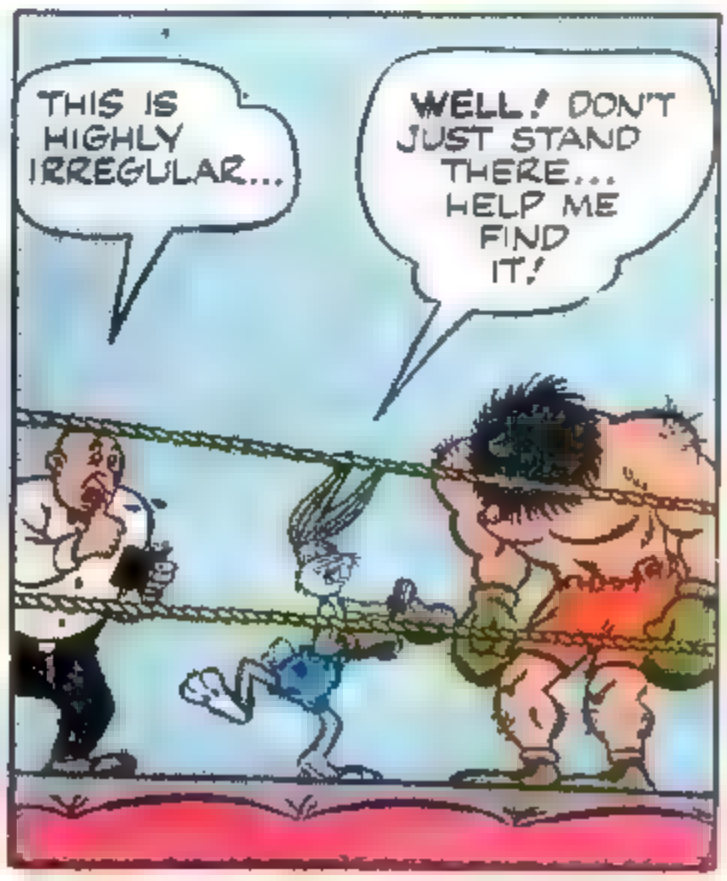

ROUND 2
HE CAN'T KEEP THIS UP! I'M WEARIN' HIM DOWN!
WHOP!

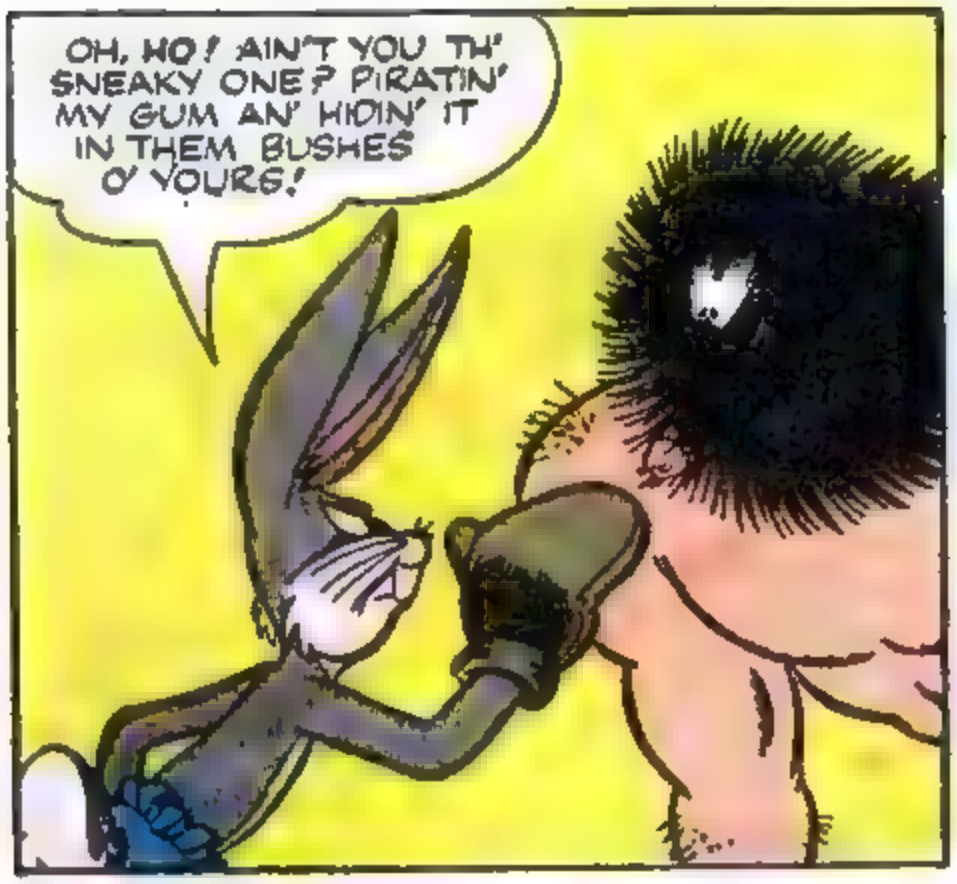

ROUND 3
I'M SURE GLAD I AIN'T IN A RUT LIKE HE IS!
WHOW!

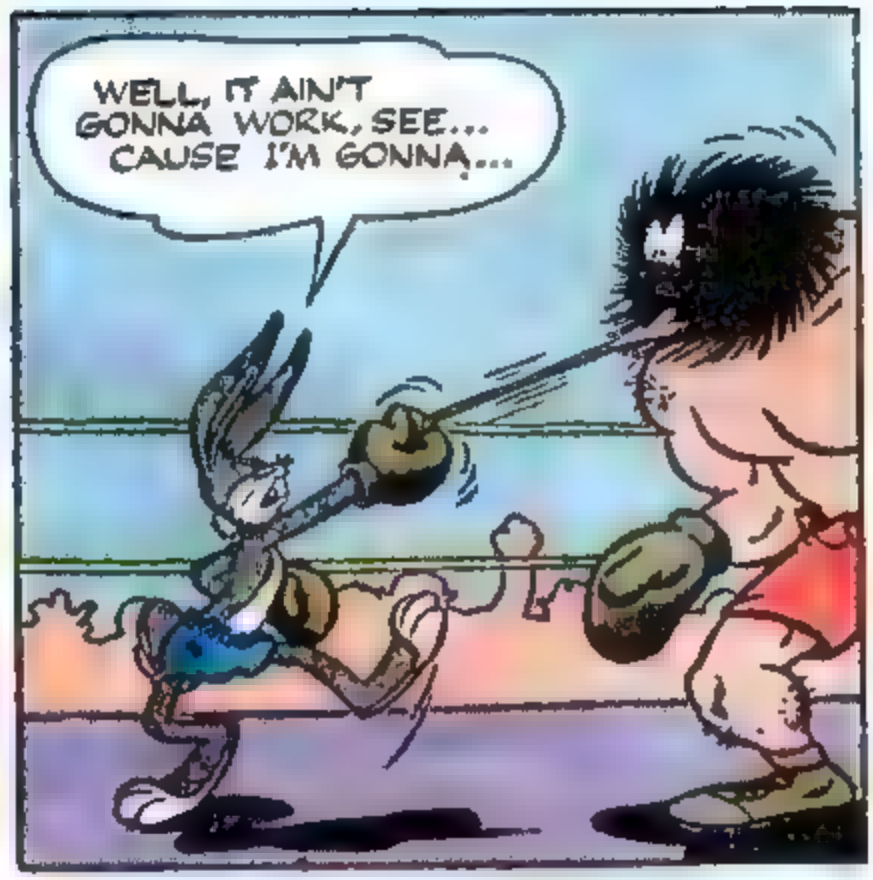
ROUND 4
IF THIS KEEPS UP, I'LL HAFTA BUY A FLYIN' LICENSE!

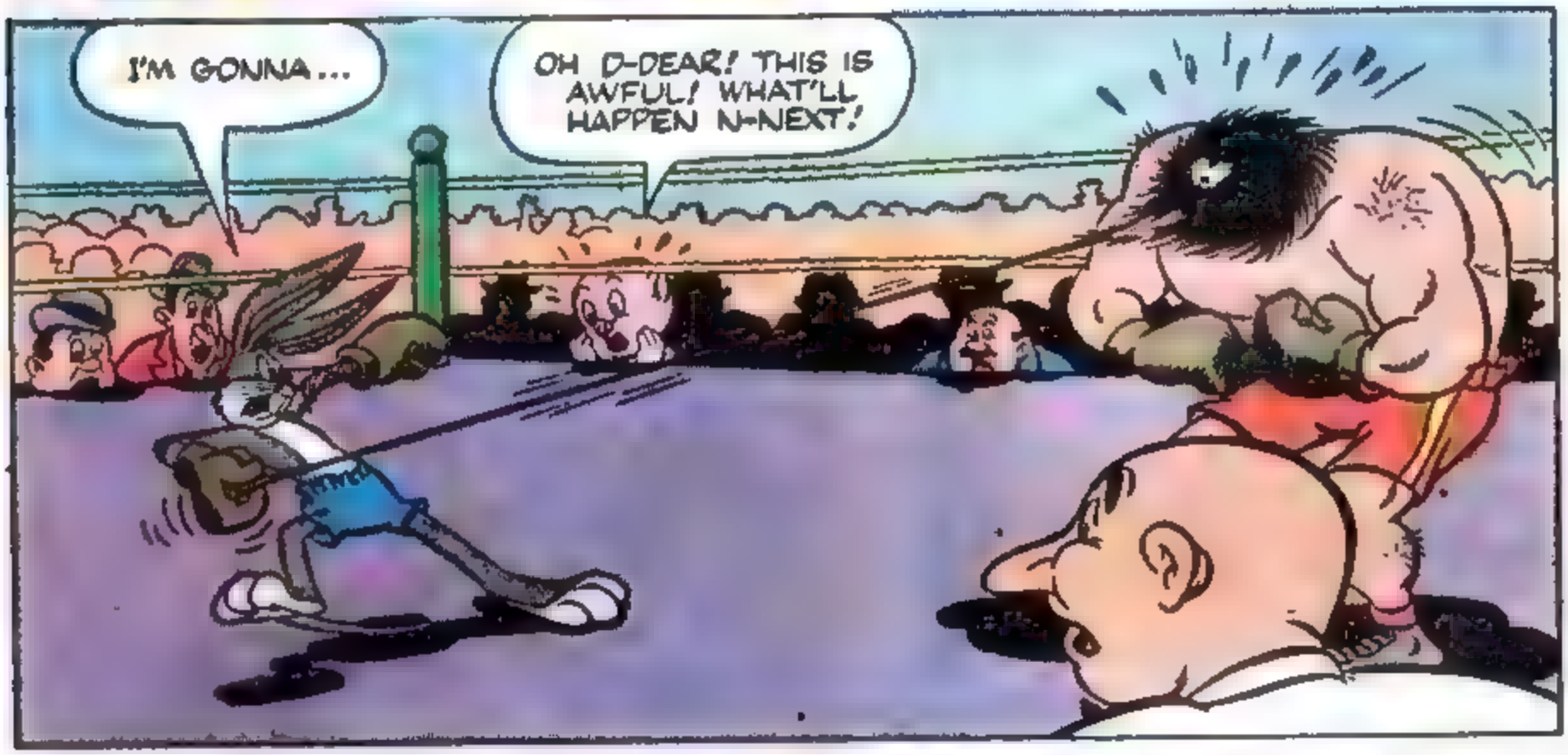

PLOP!

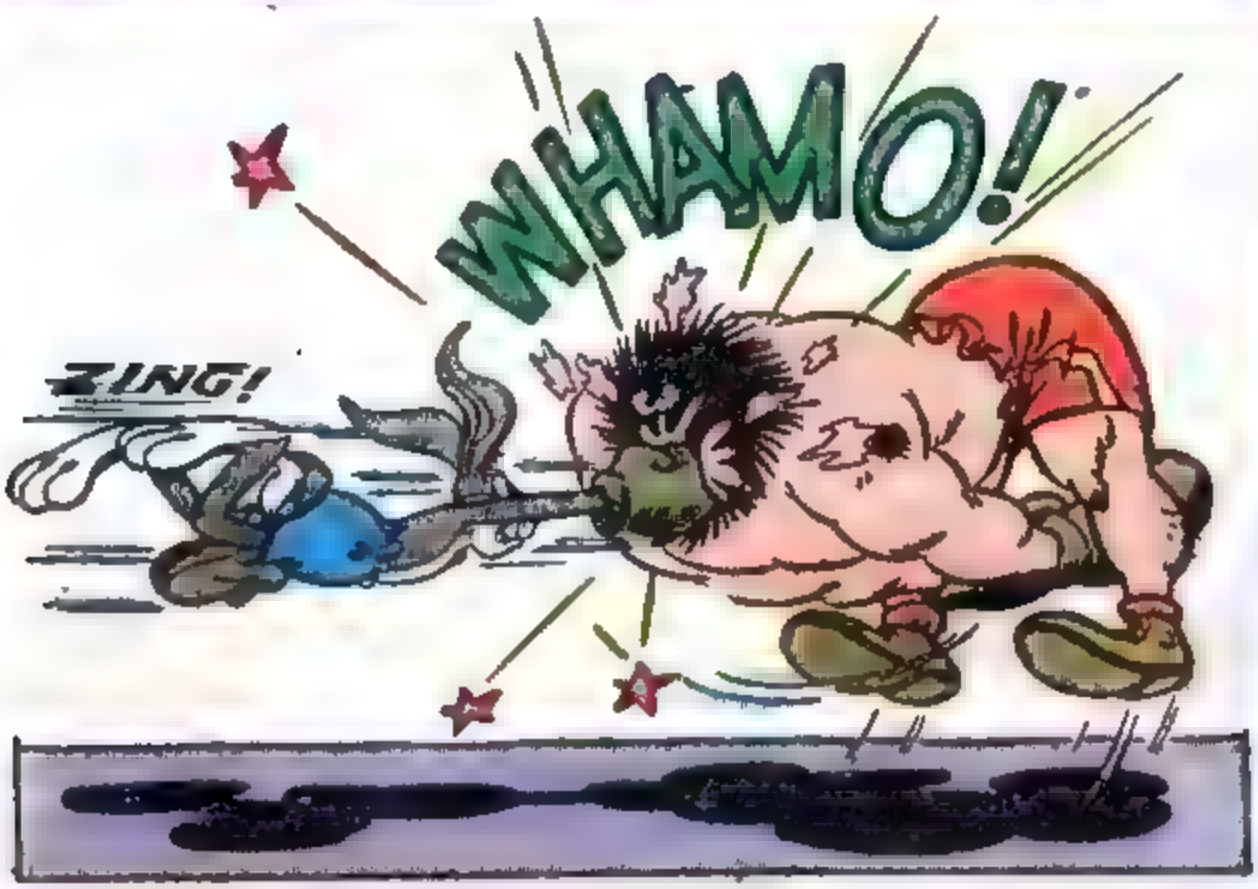

HALP! I'VE BEEN ROBBED! MY BUBBLE GUM! IT'S GONE! I DEMANDS A CHANCE TO LOOK FOR IT!


THIS IS HIGHLY IRREGULAR...
WELL! DON'T JUST STAND THERE... HELP ME FIND IT!


OH, NO! AIN'T YOU TH' SNEAKY ONE? PIRATIN' MY GUM AN' HIDIN' IT IN THEM BUSHES O' YOURS!


WELL, IT AIN'T GONNA WORK, SEE... CAUSE I'M GONNA...


I'M GONNA...
OH D-DEAR! THIS IS AWFUL! WHAT'LL HAPPEN N-NEXT!


WHAMO!
ZING!

WHAT AN UPSET, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN! SUDDENLY, WITHOUT WARNING, BUGS LETS GO WITH A TERRIFIC RIGHT TO TURK'S WEAK CHIN AND...

THE WINNER, AND NEXT CHAMPEEN... BUGS BUNNY!!

HURRAY!

HURRAY!

NEXT DAY...

H-HERE THEY ARE, BUGS, B-BUT I STILL DON'T SEE WHAT YOU W-WANT WITH 'EM!

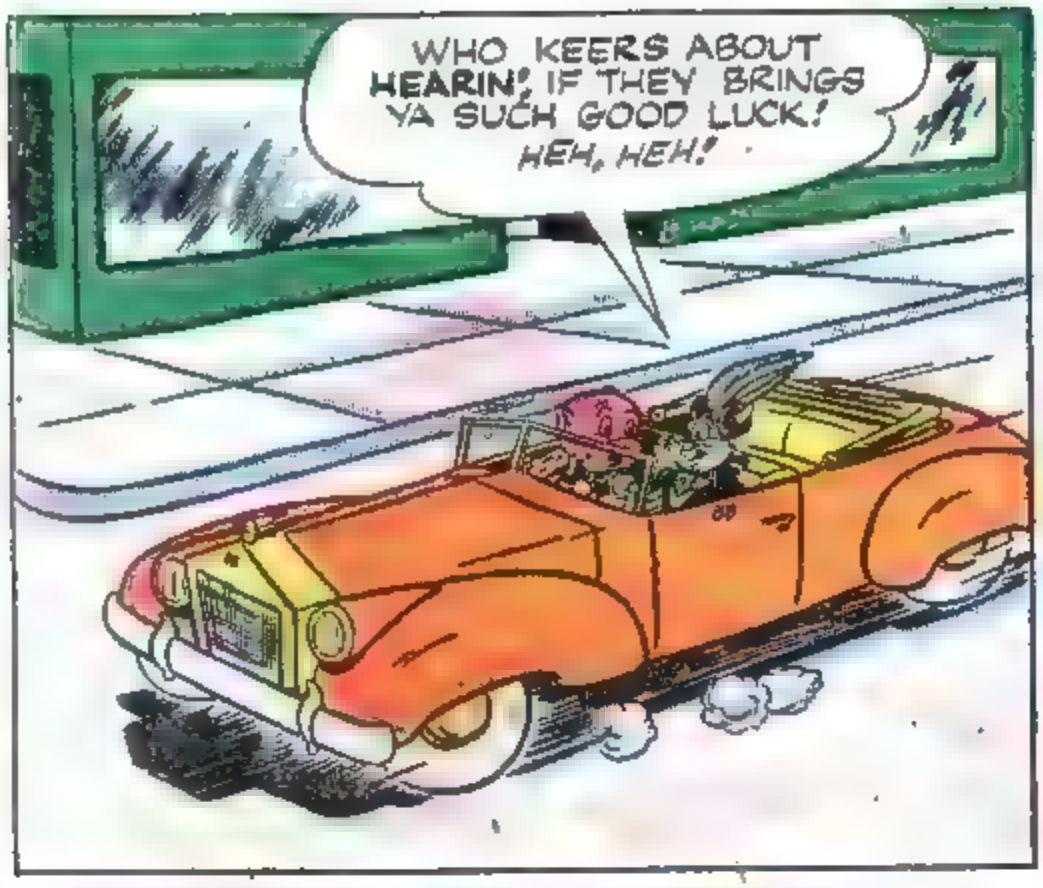
THEY BROUGHT ME LUCK!

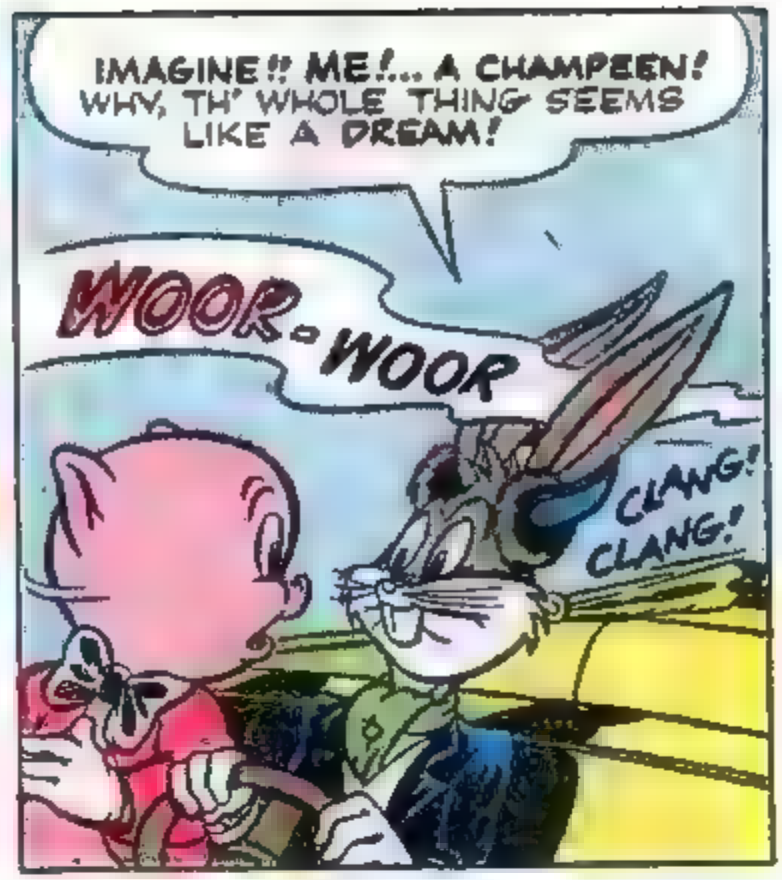
REMEMBER? THIS WHOLE THING STARTED WHEN I WENT INTO THAT OLD HAUNTED HOUSE, WEARIN' YER EAR MUFFS!

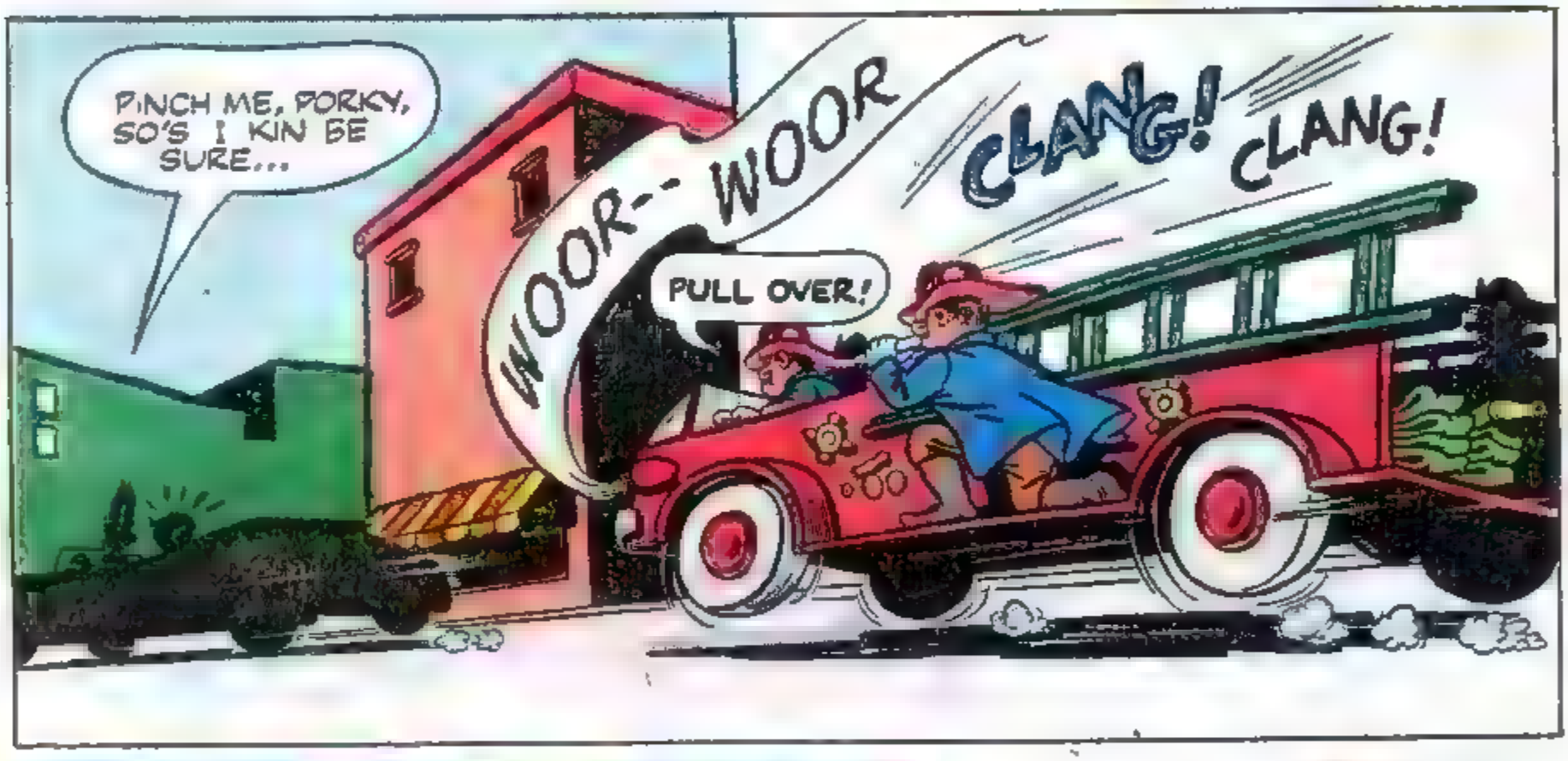
SO I FIGGERS IF THEY BRUNG ME LUCK ONCE, THEY'LL DO IT AGAIN! SLIP 'EM ON ME, PORKY!

OKAY!

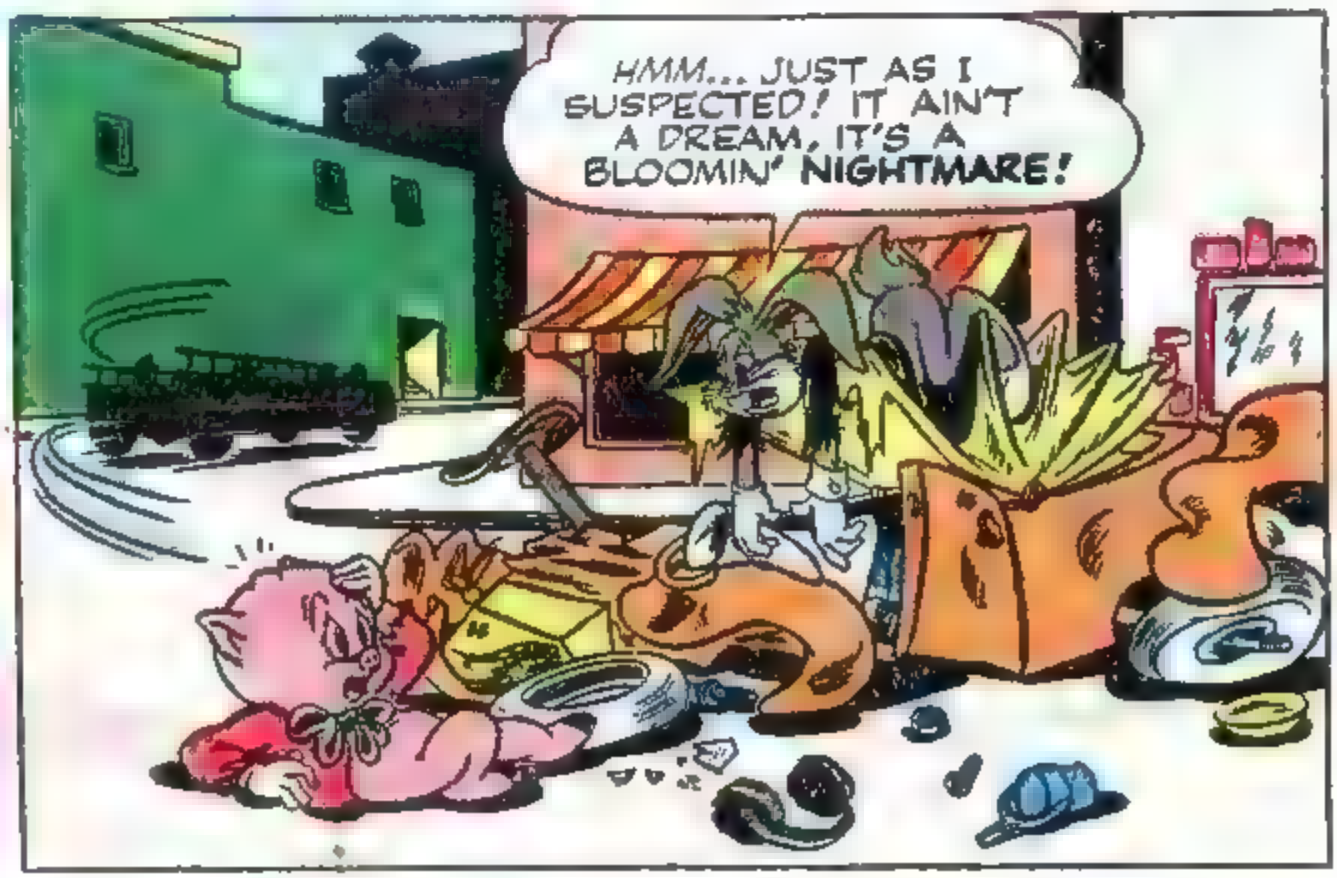
B-BUT REMEMBER, BUGS... YOU DON'T SEEM TO H-HEAR VERY GOOD WHEN YOU'RE WEARING THESE TH-THINGS!


WHO KEERS ABOUT HEARIN', IF THEY BRINGS YA SUCH GOOD LUCK! HEH, HEH!


IMAGINE!! ME!... A CHAMPEEN! WHY, TH' WHOLE THING SEEMS LIKE A DREAM!
WOOR-WOOR
CLANG! CLANG!


PINCH ME, PORKY, SO'S I KIN BE SURE...
WOOR-- WOOR
CLANG! CLANG!
PULL OVER!

CRASH!


HMM... JUST AS I SUSPECTED! IT AIN'T A DREAM, IT'S A BLOOMIN' NIGHTMARE!

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PRESENT-

BUGS BUNNY in "THE CASE OF THE VANISHING NEWSBOYS"

YEAH, YEAH... *CERTAINLY* THIS IS TH' *CHIEF!* YOU WERE EXPECTING MAYBE *BUGS BUNNY?* HEH, HEH!

CHIEF OF POLICE

TH' DAILY NEWS?... HMM... SOUNDS *SERIOUS*... BUT DON'T WORRY ABOUT A THING! I'LL SEND OVER ONE OF MY VERY BEST SLEUTHS TO SOLVE TH' CASE FOR YA!...

TH' CHIEF IS G-GOING TO BE AWFUL MAD WHEN HE F-FINDS OUT YOU TOOK A CALL MEANT FOR H-H.M. BUGS!

CLICK!

HE AIN'T GONNA FIND OUT!

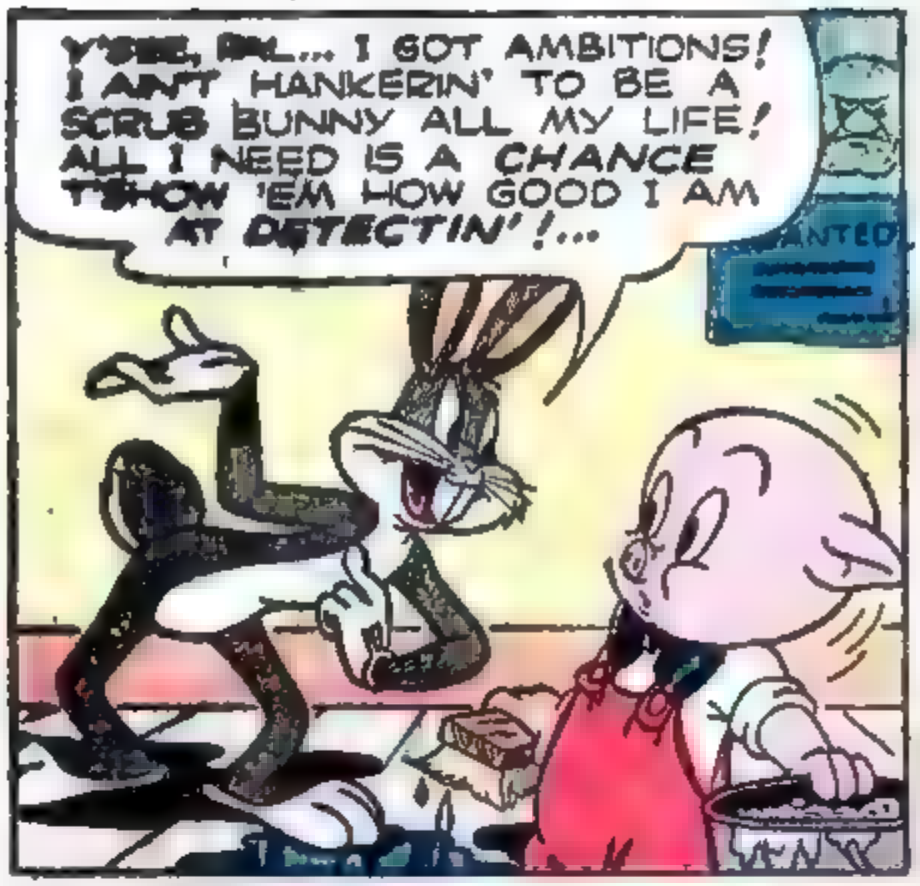
I KNOW *YOU* WOULDN'T TATTLE ON ME...

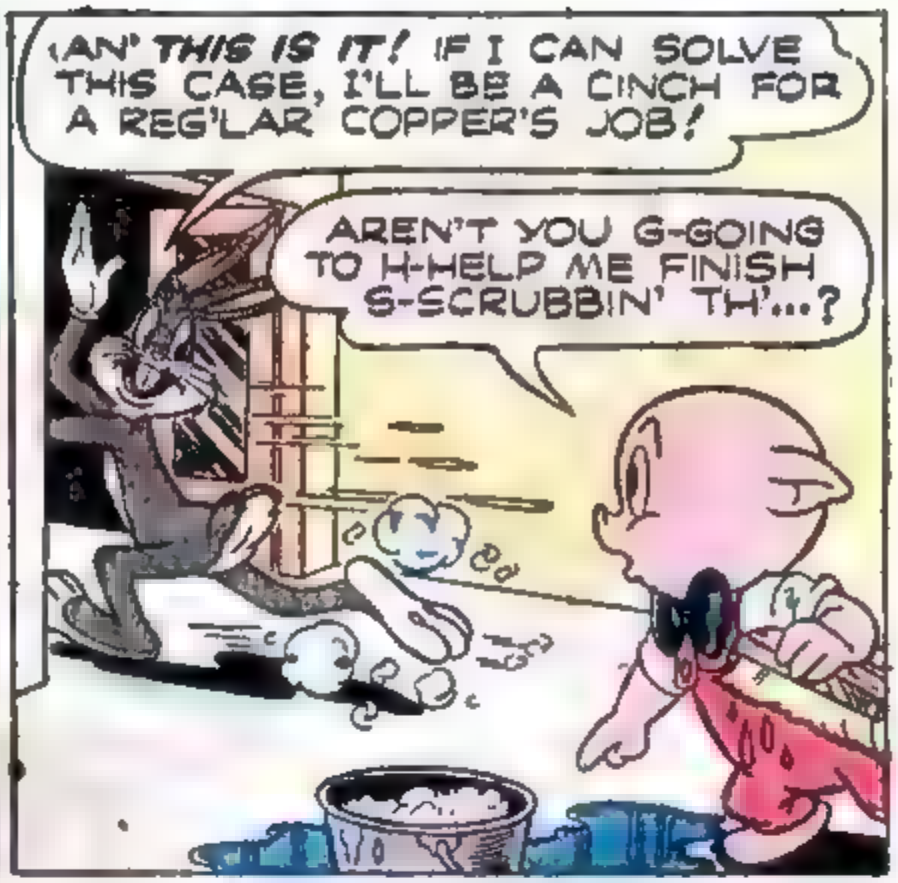
BUT YOU'VE *G-GOT* TO TELL HIM! TH' M-MAN ON THE PHONE ASKED FOR A *D-DETECTIVE* AN'...

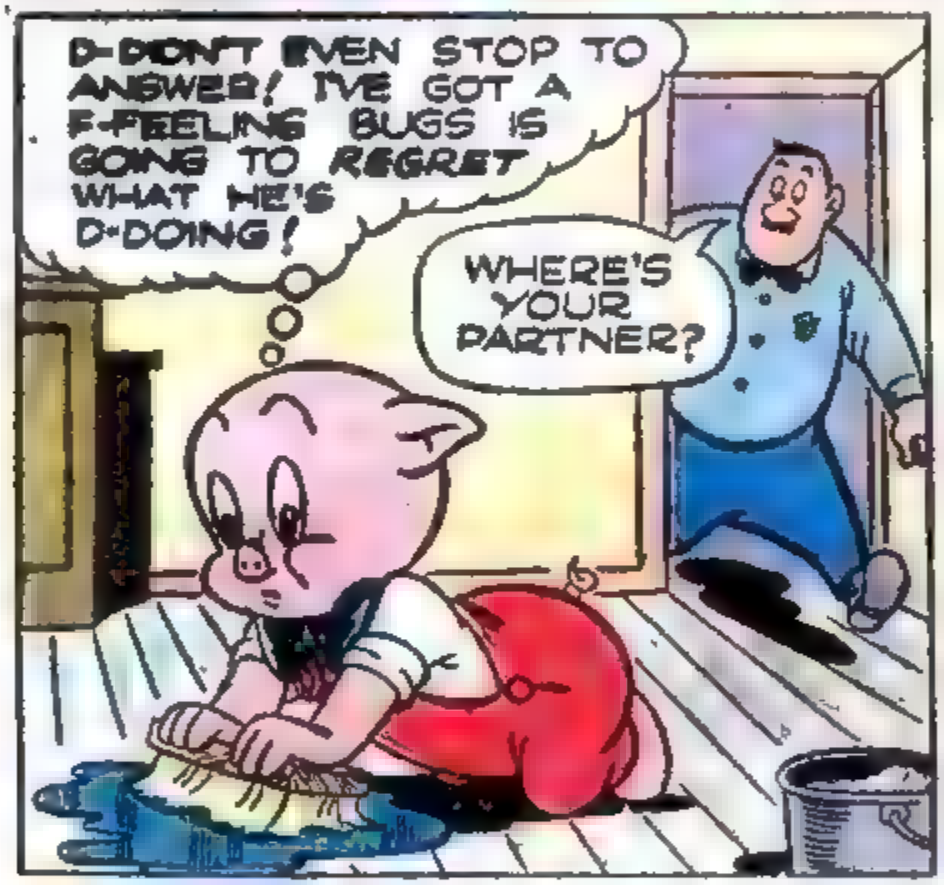
PRECISELY WHAT HE WILL *GIT!*

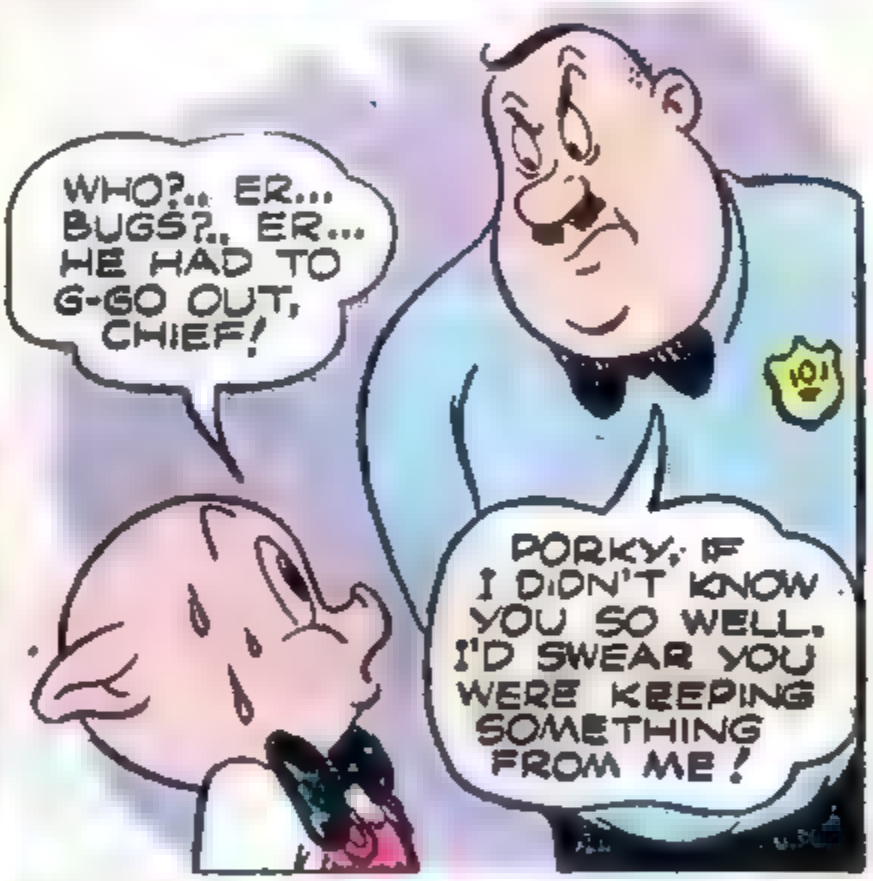
M-MEANING *YOU?*

MEANING *ME!*

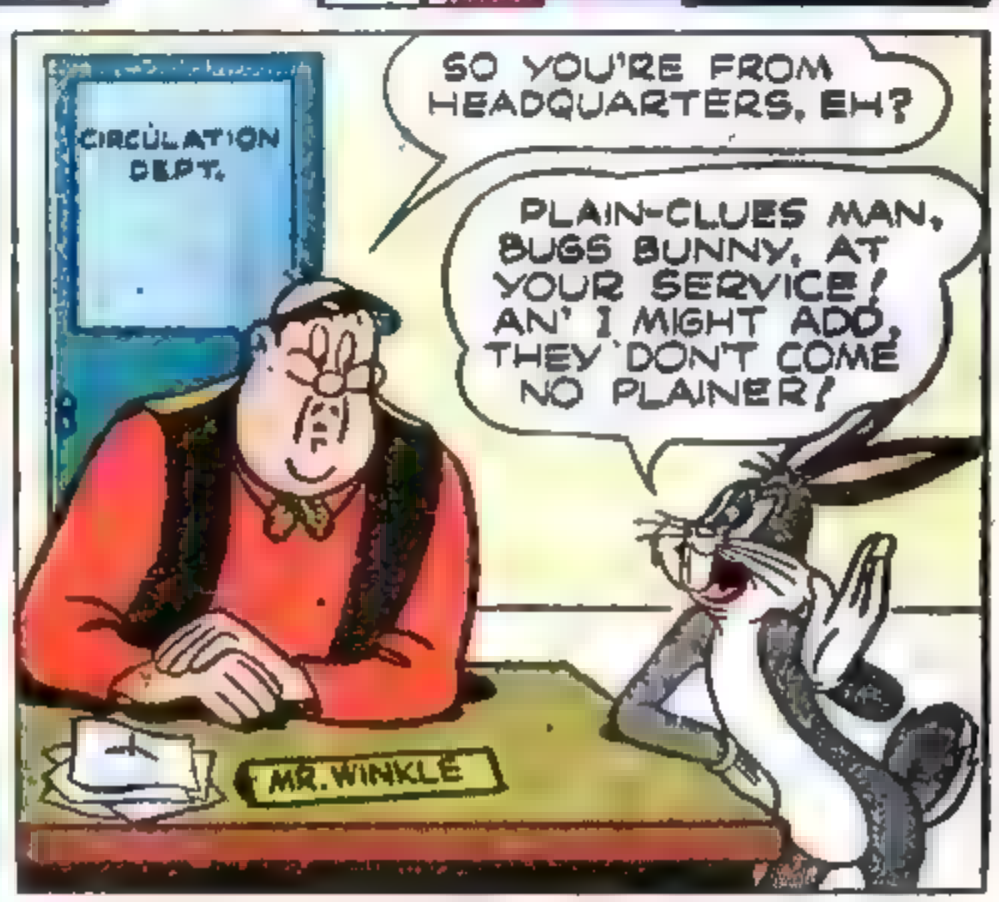

Y'SEE, PAL... I GOT AMBITIONS! I AIN'T HANKERIN' TO BE A SCRUB BUNNY ALL MY LIFE! ALL I NEED IS A CHANCE T'SHOW 'EM HOW GOOD I AM AT DETECTIN'!...


AN' THIS IS IT! IF I CAN SOLVE THIS CASE, I'LL BE A CINCH FOR A REG'LAR COPPER'S JOB!
AREN'T YOU G-GOING TO H-HELP ME FINISH S-SCRUBBIN' TH'...?


D-DIDN'T EVEN STOP TO ANSWER! I'VE GOT A F-FEELING BUGS IS GOING TO REGRET WHAT HE'S D-DOING!
WHERE'S YOUR PARTNER?


WHO?.. ER... BUGS?.. ER... HE HAD TO G-GO OUT, CHIEF!
PORKY, IF I DIDN'T KNOW YOU SO WELL, I'D SWEAR YOU WERE KEEPING SOMETHING FROM ME!

AH, HERE 'TIS! TODAY OL' BUGSY STARTS HIS FASCINATIN' CRIME BUSTIN' CAREER!
Y NEWS


SO YOU'RE FROM HEADQUARTERS, EH?
PLAIN-CLUES MAN, BUGS BUNNY, AT YOUR SERVICE! AN' I MIGHT ADD, THEY DON'T COME NO PLAINER!
CIRCULATION DEPT.
MR. WINKLE

WELL, *THREE* OF OUR BEST *NEWSBOYS* HAVE DISAPPEARED UNDER MOST MYSTERIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES, MISTER BUNNY!

HOW'S THAT, DOC?

WITH EACH BOY, THE SAME THING HAS HAPPENED! EACH WAS LAST SEEN AT THE CORNER OF 13TH STREET AND SINSTER AVENUE!... WHAT HAPPENS TO THEM AFTER THAT, *NOBODY KNOWS!*

BUT YA FEARS TH' WORST, EH, DOC?

YES! IN FACT, WE FEAR IT'S THE WORK OF "*THE SNIFFER*"! YOU'VE HEARD OF HIM, OF COURSE?

EH-H... CAN'T SAY AS I HAVE!

OH, HE'S FIENDISHLY CLEVER! THEY CALL HIM "*THE SNIFFER*" BECAUSE HE'S ALWAYS *SNIFFING!*

HMM... SOUNDS LOGICAL!

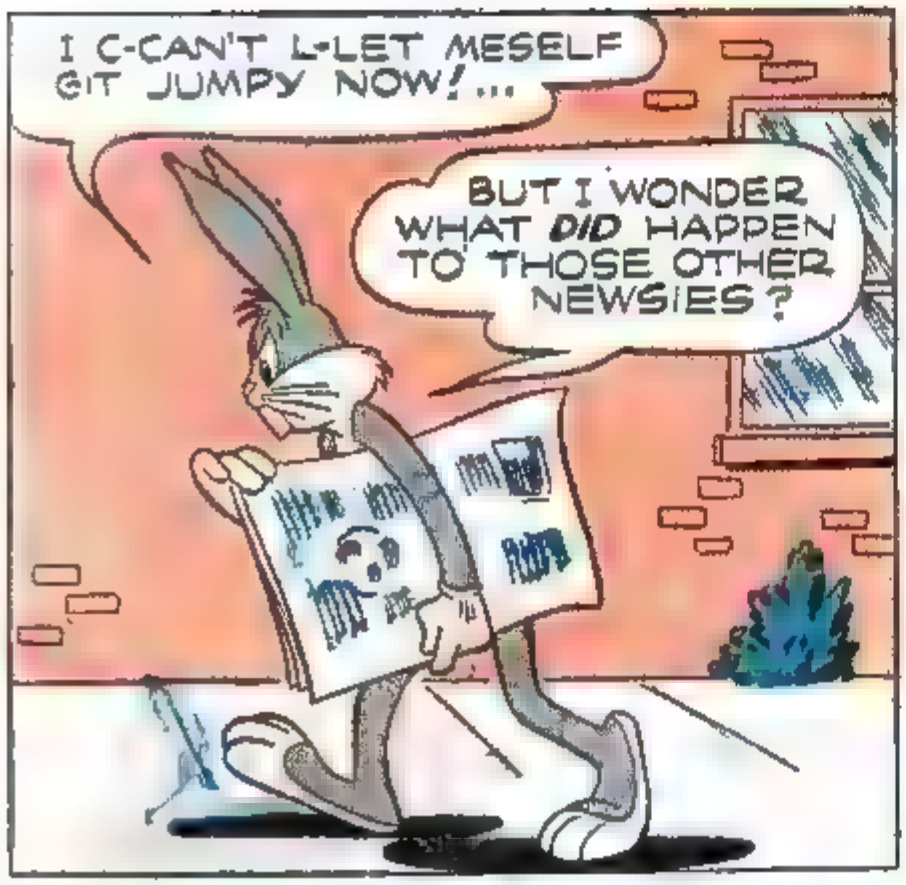
LEAVE IT T'ME! I'LL DISGUISE MYSELF AS A *NEWSBOY* AN'...

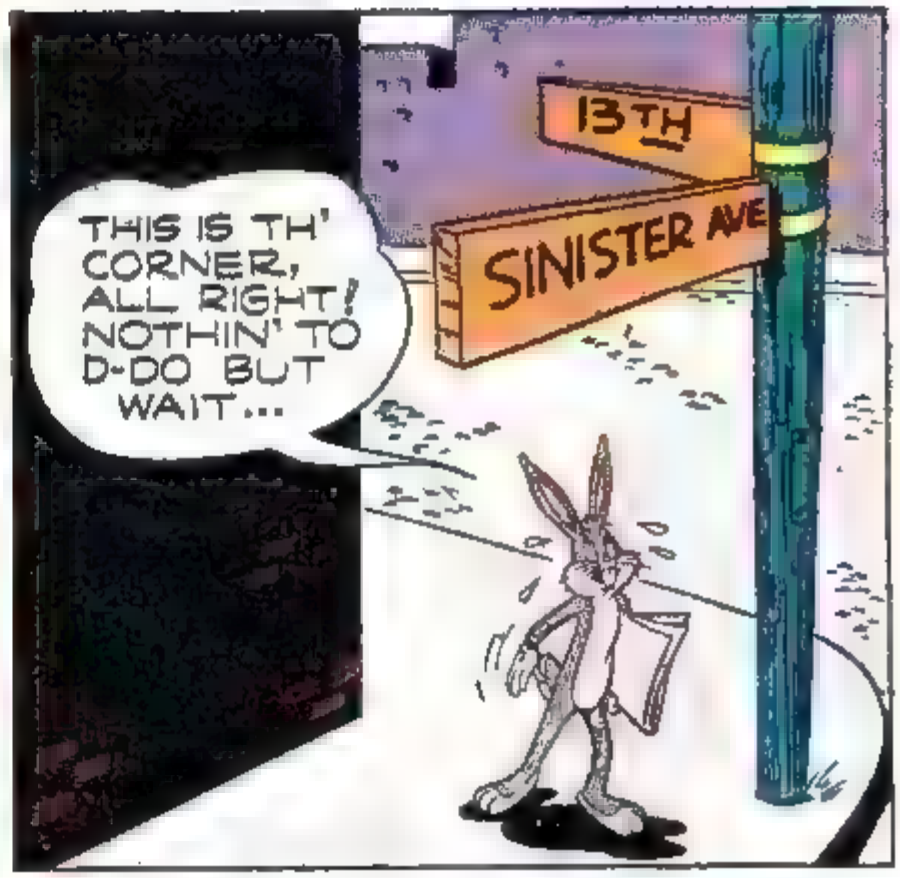
GOOD LUCK! AND IN CASE I DON'T SEE YOU AGAIN... *GOOD-BYE!*

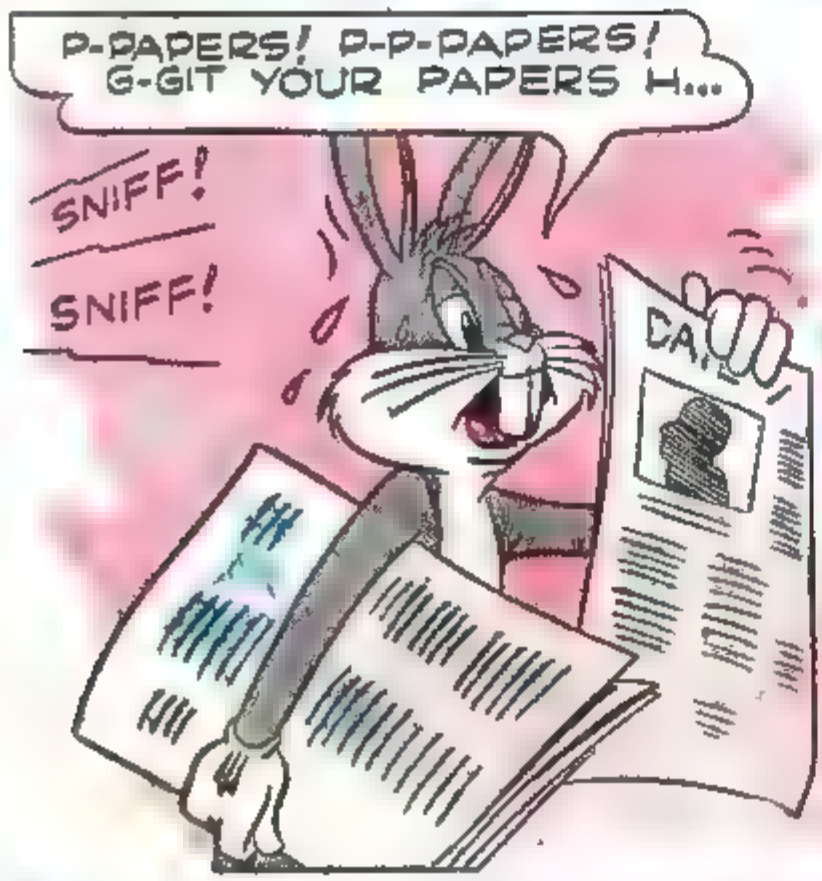
MR. WINKLE

LATER...

(GULP!) I DIDN'T LIKE THAT LAST CRACK! MAYBE I SHOULDN'T 'O' TRIED TO SOLVE THIS CASE ALL BY MYSELF!


I C-CAN'T L-LET MESELF GIT JUMPY NOW!...
BUT I WONDER WHAT *DID* HAPPEN TO THOSE OTHER NEWSIES?

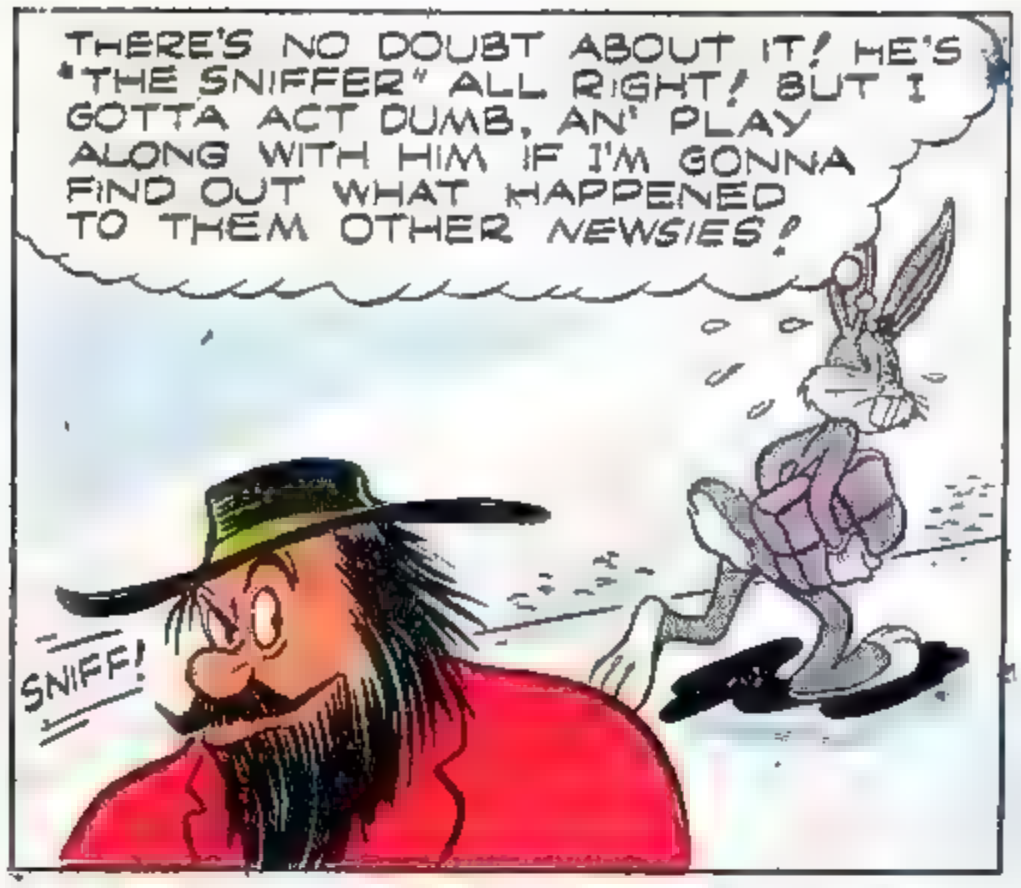

13TH
SINISTER AVE
THIS IS TH' CORNER, ALL RIGHT! NOTHIN' TO D-DO BUT WAIT...


P-PAPERS! P-P-PAPERS! G-GIT YOUR PAPERS H...
SNIFF!
SNIFF!

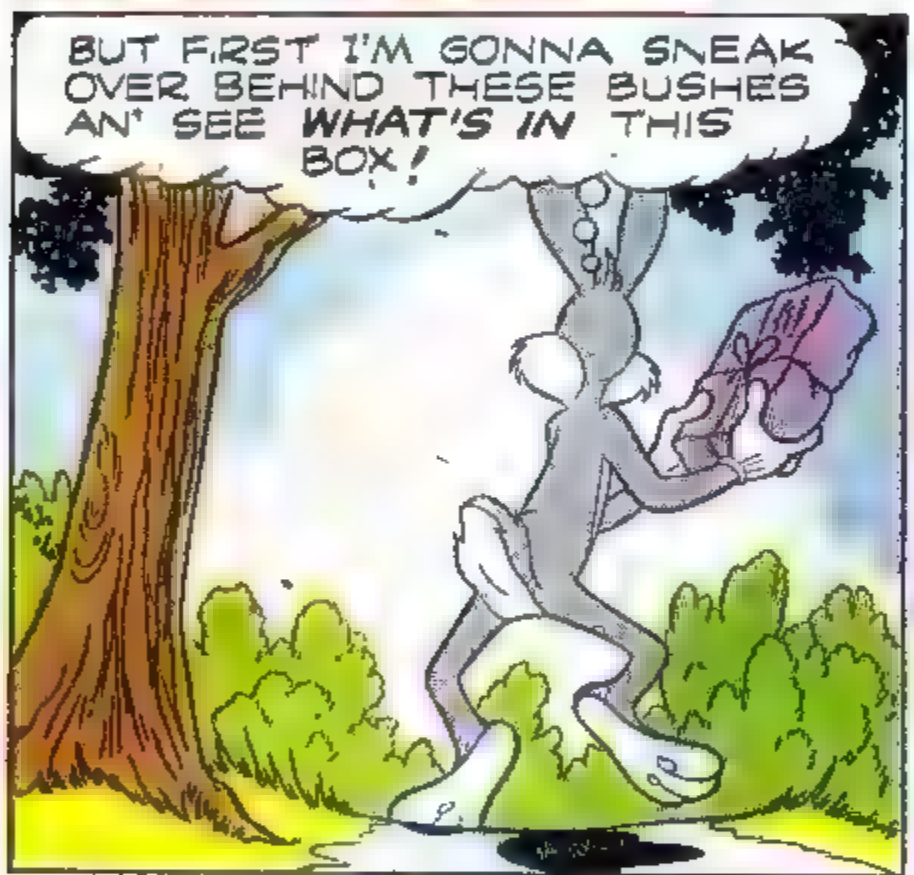
ER... P-PAPER, MISTER?
SNIFF!
SNIFF!
I'D LIKE TO TALK TO YOU, YOUNG MAN!

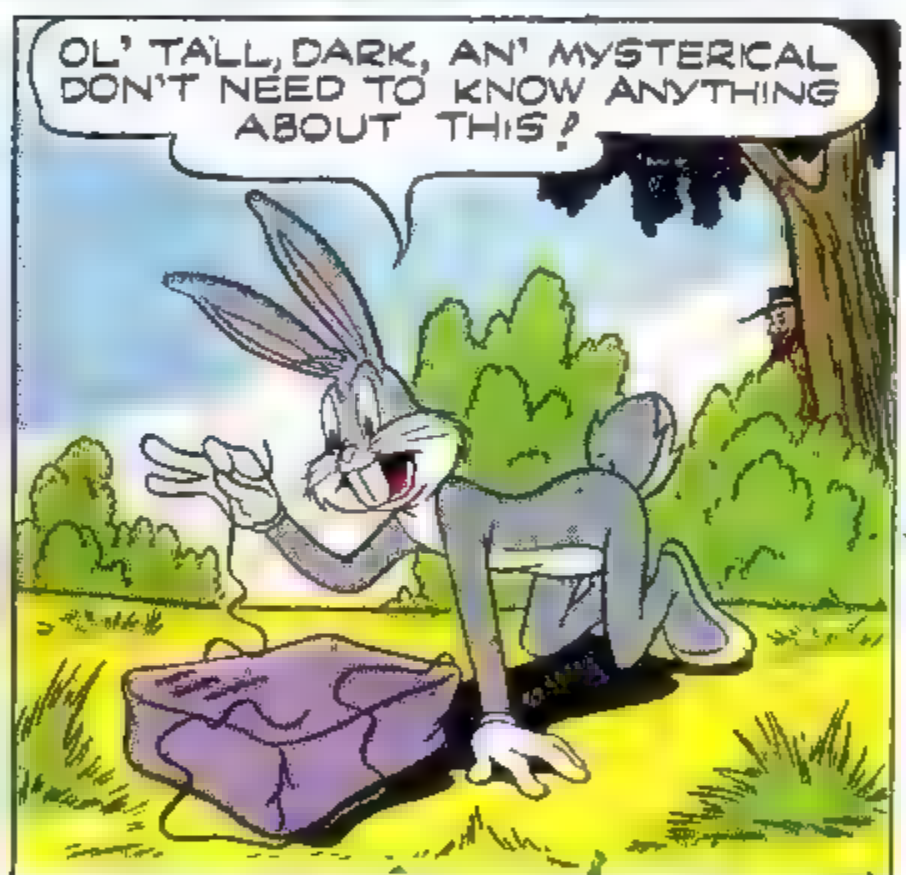
YOU *C-CAN'T* MEAN *ME*, DOC! I AIN'T VERY GOOD COMPANY!
BUT I'LL PAY YOU WELL TO DELIVER THIS PACKAGE FOR ME!

GET IT TO THAT ADDRESS RIGHT AWAY, AND THIS FIVE DOLLARS IS *YOURS*!
ER... OKAY, DOC! OKAY! YA GOT ME!
SNIFF!
SNIFF!


THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT IT! HE'S "THE SNIFFER" ALL RIGHT! BUT I GOTTA ACT DUMB, AN' PLAY ALONG WITH HIM IF I'M GONNA FIND OUT WHAT HAPPENED TO THEM OTHER NEWSIES!
SNIFF!

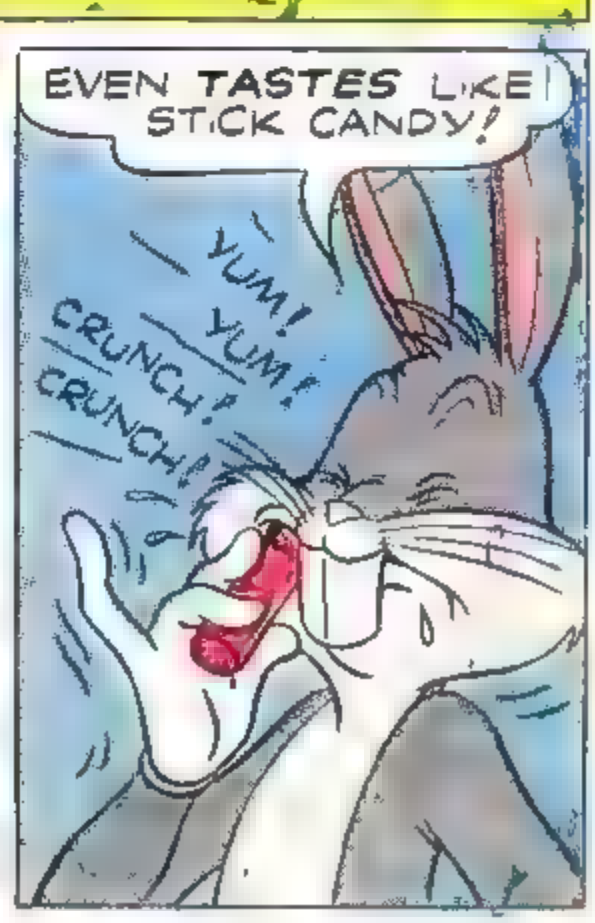
AN' I GOT A FEELIN' I'LL FIND THAT OUT WHEN I GITS TO THIS ADDRESS!

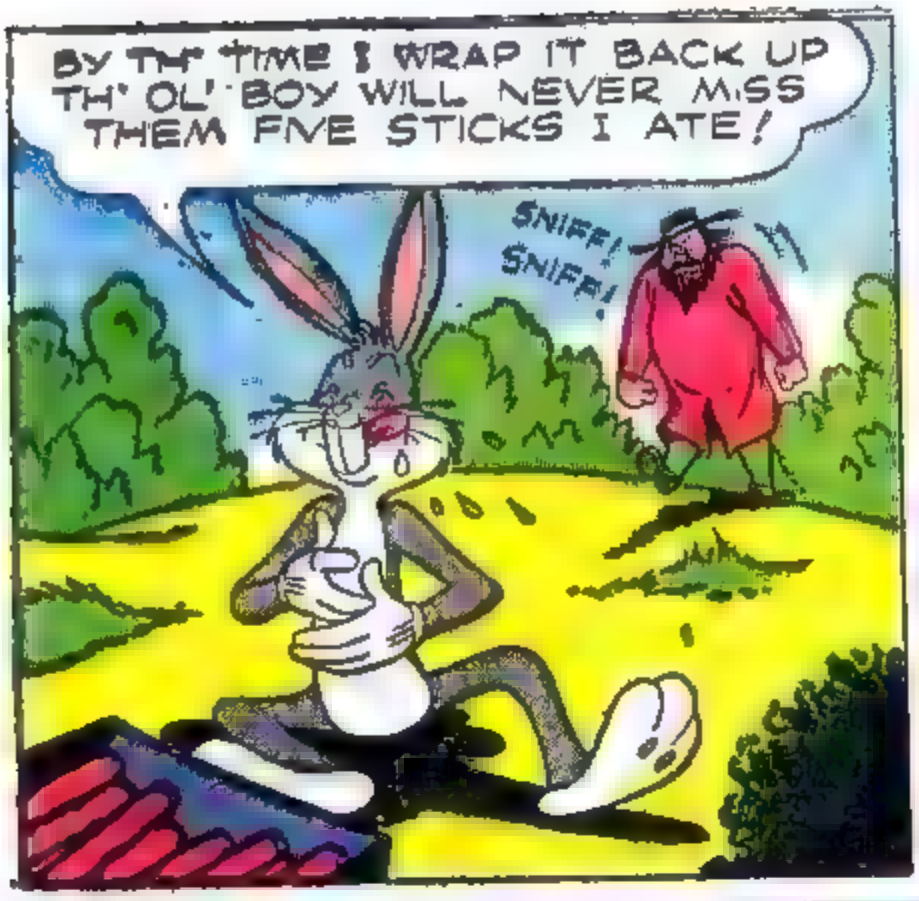

BUT FIRST I'M GONNA SNEAK OVER BEHIND THESE BUSHES AN' SEE WHAT'S IN THIS BOX!

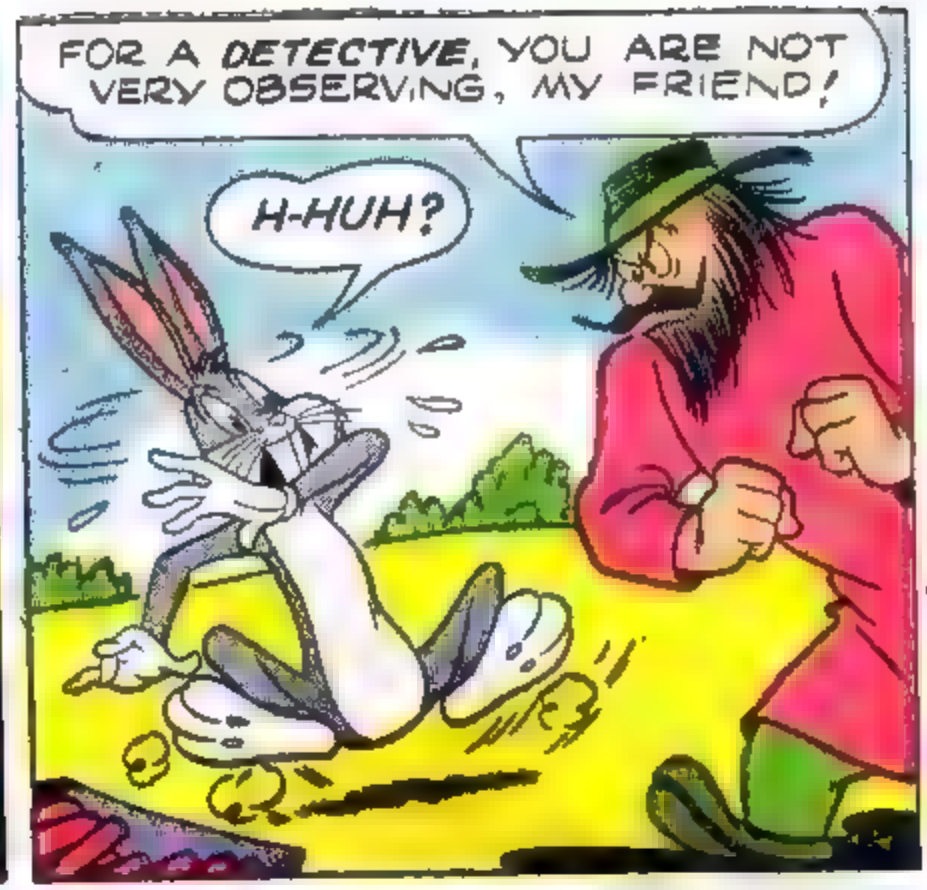

OL' TALL, DARK, AN' MYSTERICAL DON'T NEED TO KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THIS!

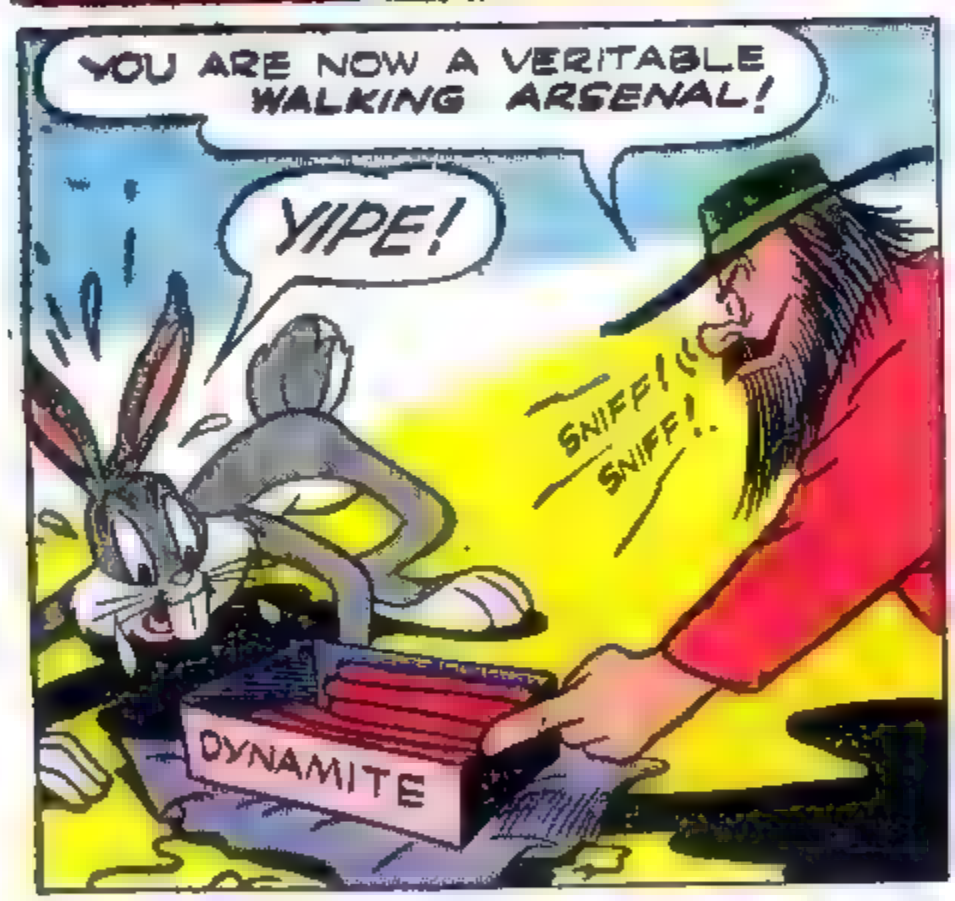
WELL, WHATTA YA KNOW! LOOKS LIKE STICK CANDY!

SMELLS LIKE STICK CANDY!
SNIFF!


EVEN TASTES LIKE STICK CANDY!
YUM!
YUM!
CRUNCH!
CRUNCH!

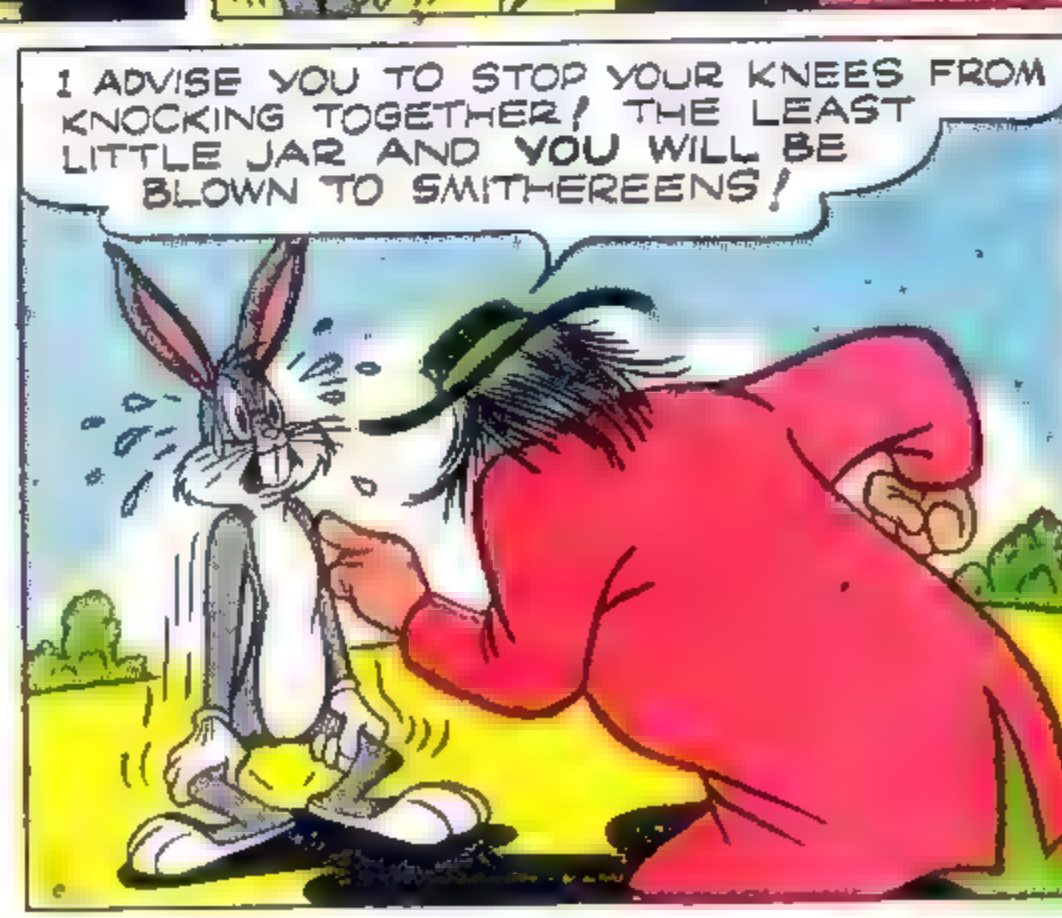

BY TH' TIME I WRAP IT BACK UP TH' OL' BOY WILL NEVER MISS THEM FIVE STICKS I ATE!
SNIFF! SNIFF!

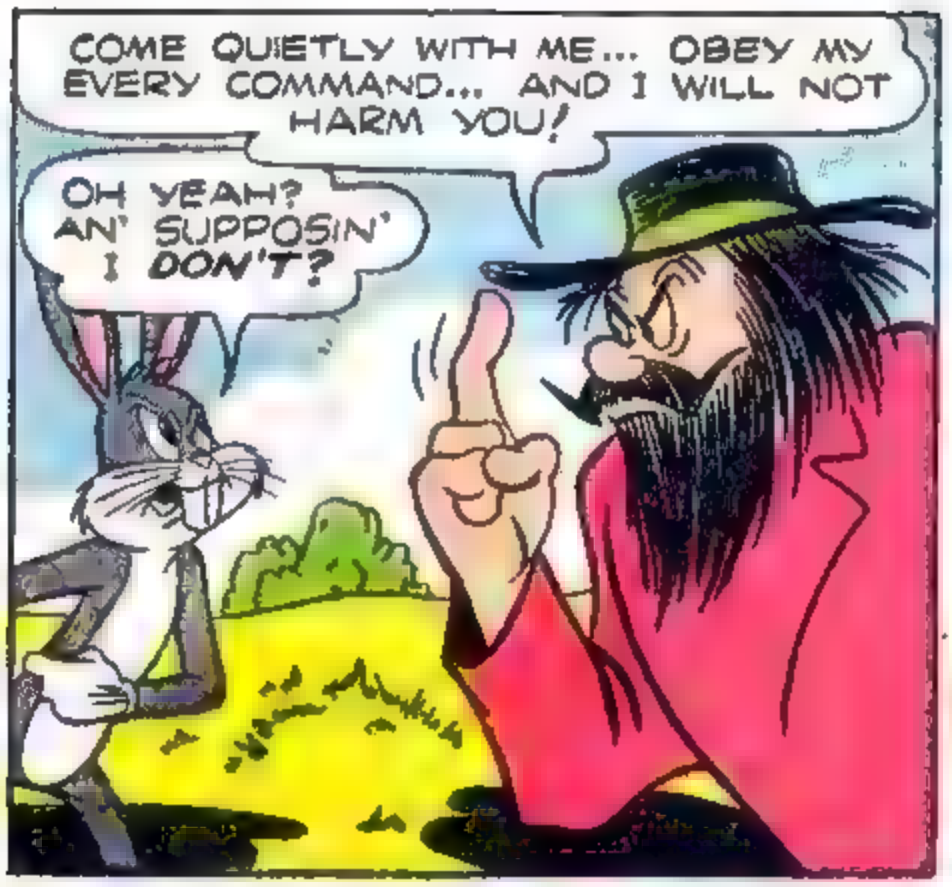

FOR A DETECTIVE, YOU ARE NOT VERY OBSERVING, MY FRIEND!
H-HUH?


YOU ARE NOW A VERITABLE WALKING ARSENAL!
YIPE!
SNIFF! SNIFF!
DYNAMITE

Y-YOU KNEW I W-WAS A DETEKATIFF ALL ALONG?
I KNOW EVERYTHING! NO ONE IS SMART ENOUGH TO BAFFLE "THE SNIFFER"!

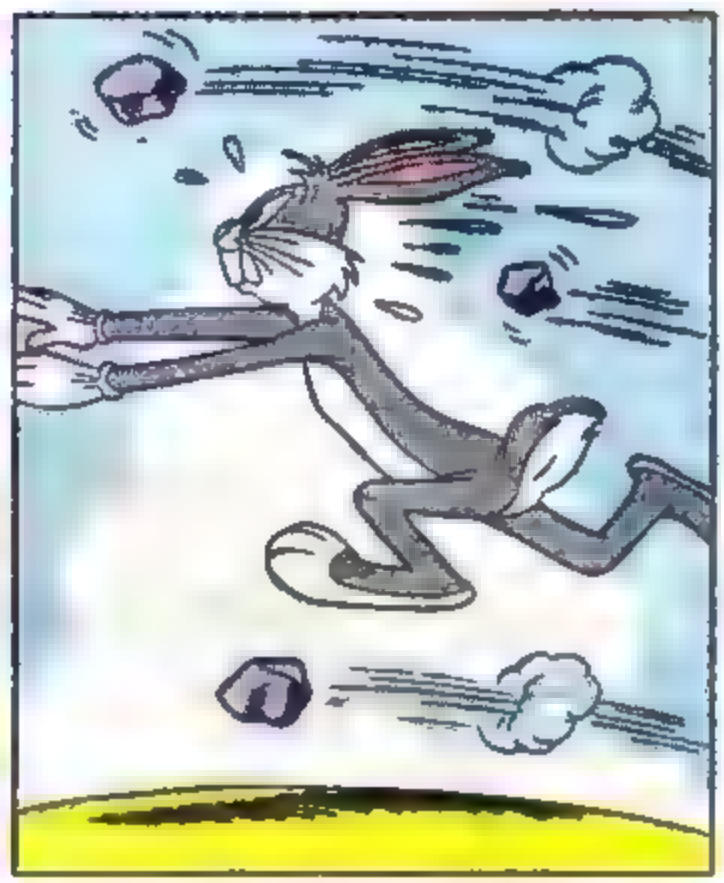
(ULP!) WH-WHAT ARE YA...
KNOCK! KNOCK!

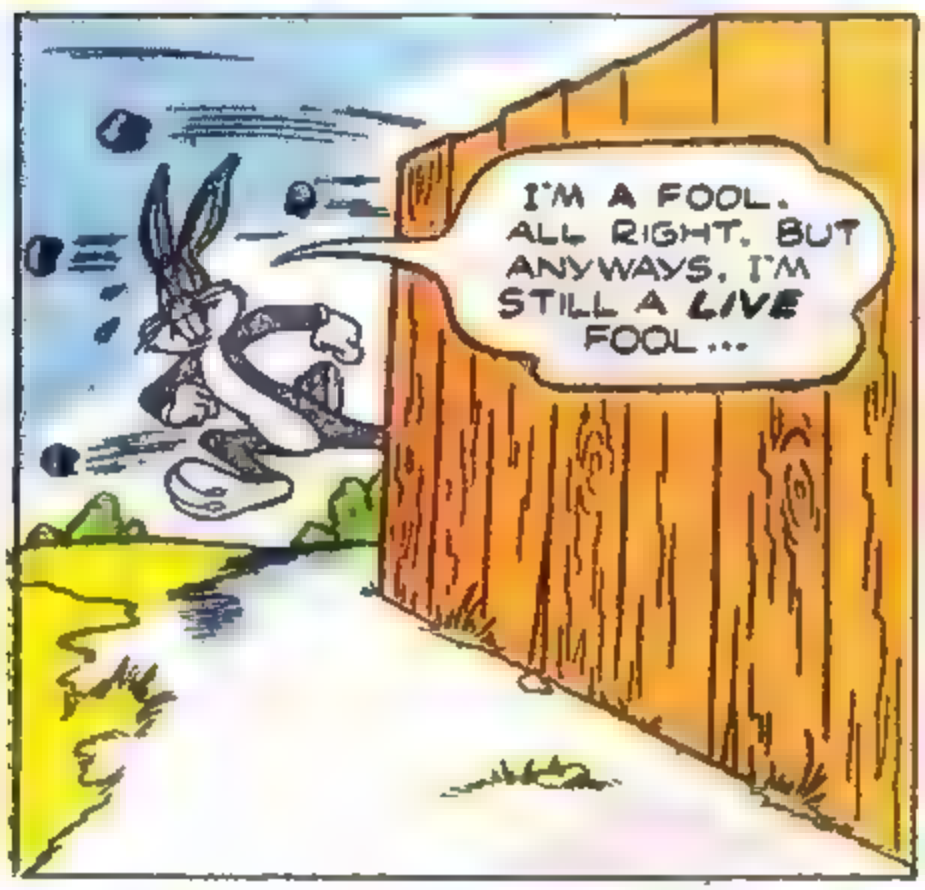

I ADVISE YOU TO STOP YOUR KNEES FROM KNOCKING TOGETHER! THE LEAST LITTLE JAR AND YOU WILL BE BLOWN TO SMITHEREENS!

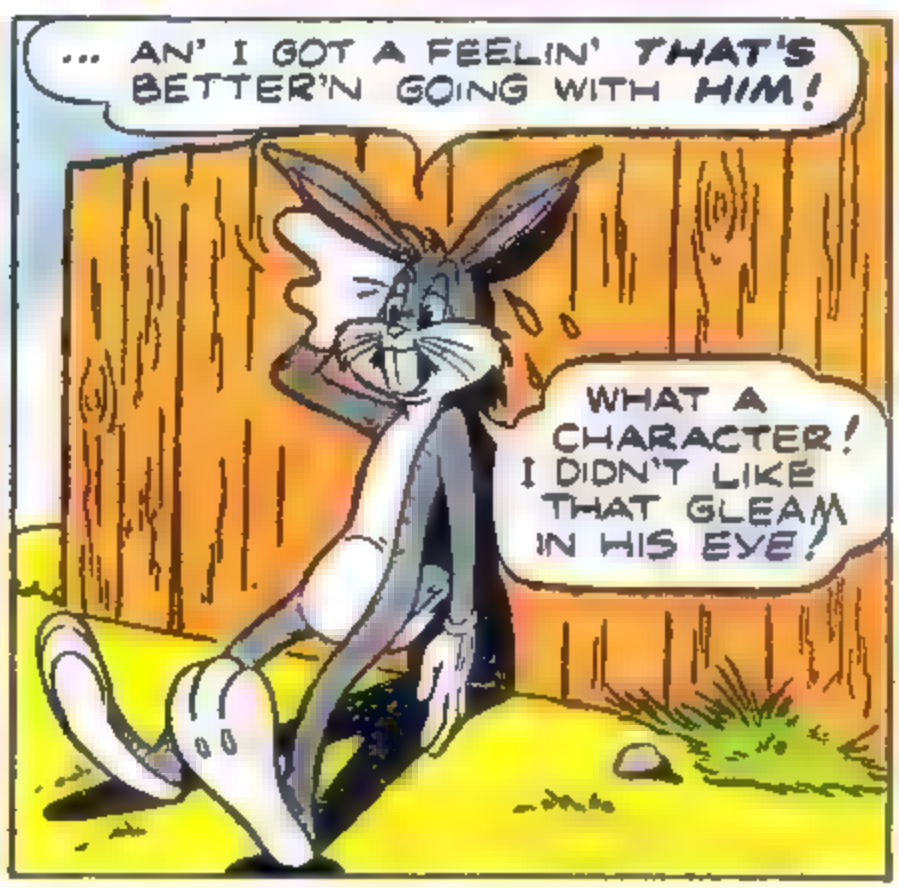

COME QUIETLY WITH ME... OBEY MY EVERY COMMAND... AND I WILL NOT HARM YOU!
OH YEAH? AN' SUPPOSIN' I DON'T?

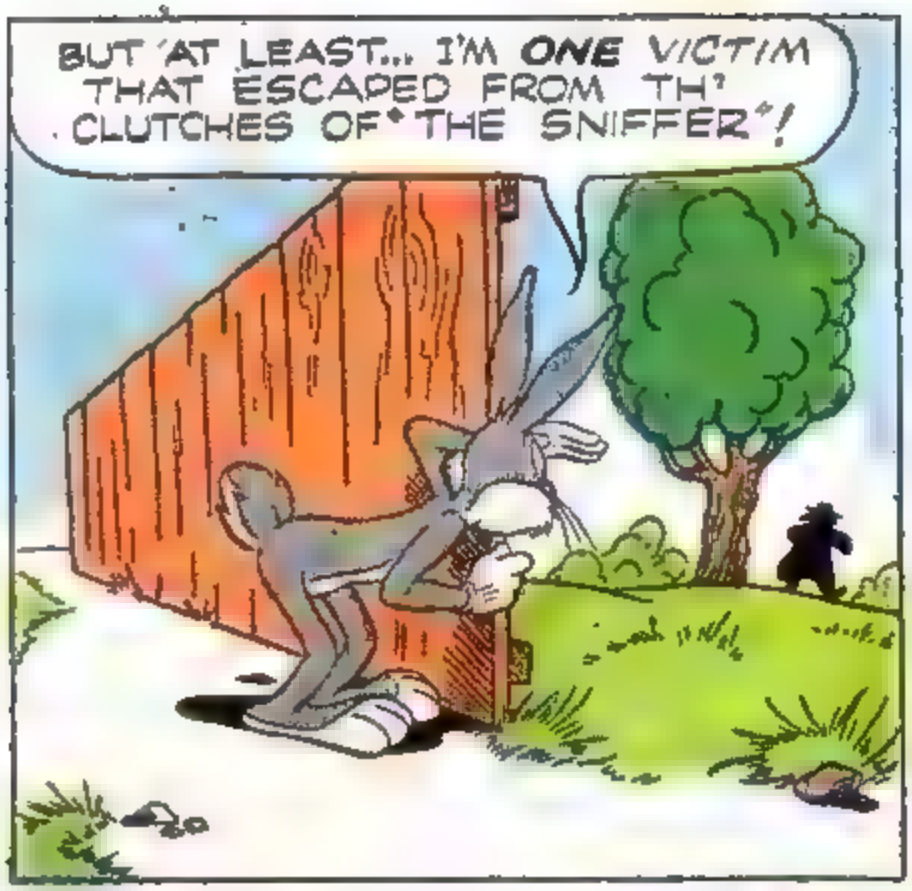
THEN, I SHALL BE FORCED TO HURL A STONE AT YOU... CAUSING YOU TO EXPLODE! ... WHAT IS YOUR DECISION?
HMM... AFTER THINKING IT OVER....

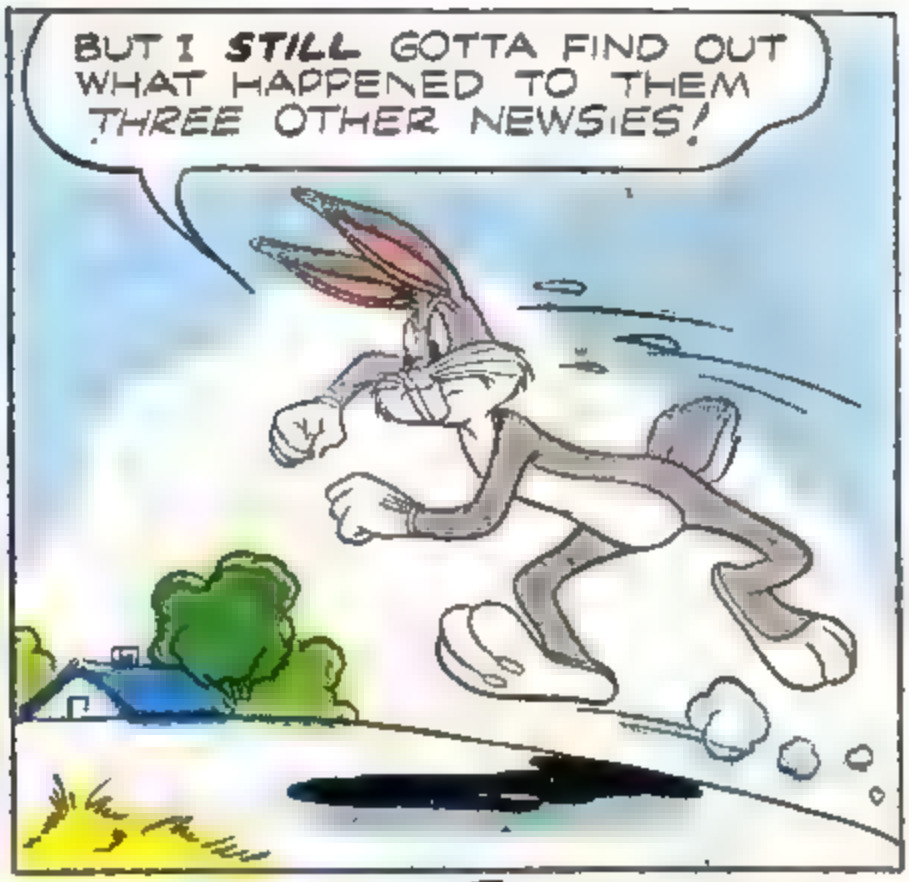
YOU CAN CALL ME. TARGET FOR TODAY!
COME BACK, YOU FOOL!

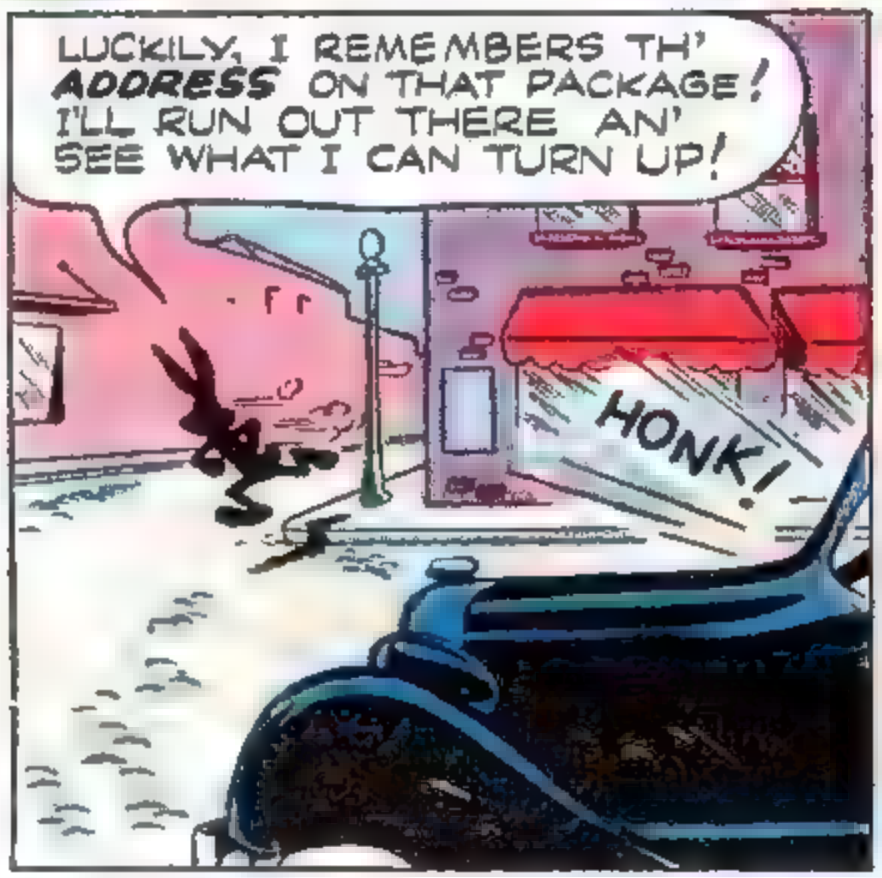


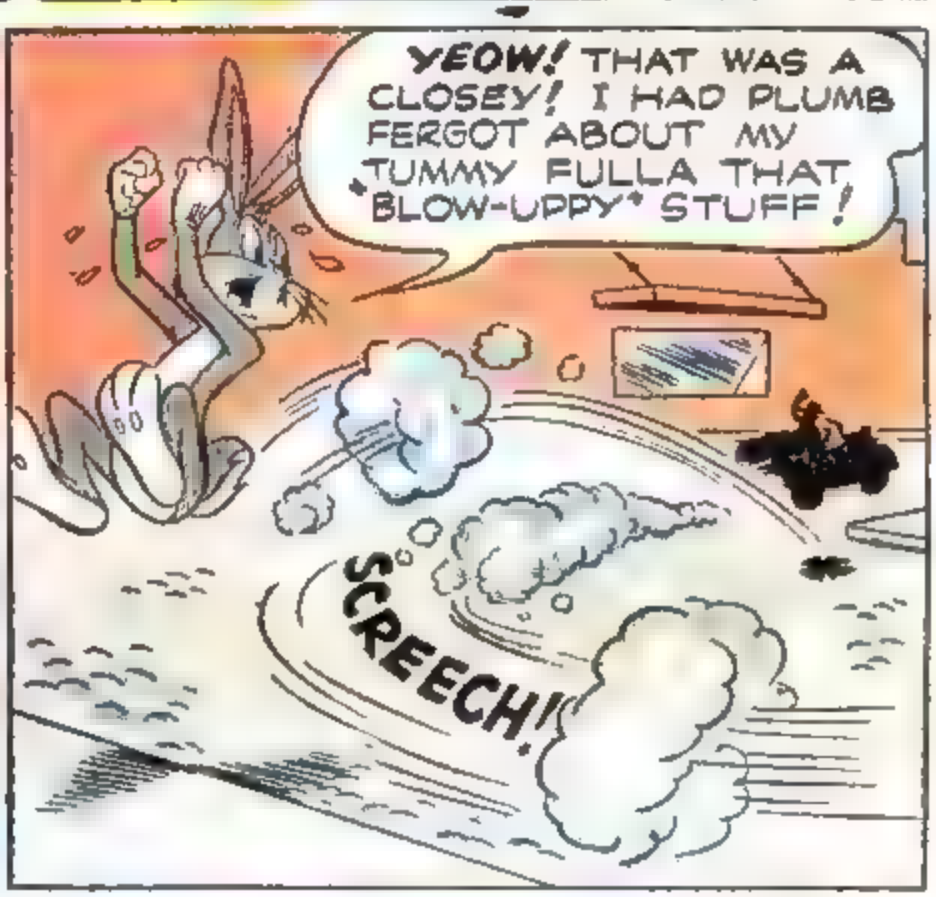

I'M A FOOL. ALL RIGHT. BUT ANYWAYS, I'M STILL A LIVE FOOL...


... AN' I GOT A FEELIN' THAT'S BETTER'N GOING WITH HIM!
WHAT A CHARACTER! I DIDN'T LIKE THAT GLEAM IN HIS EYE!


BUT 'AT LEAST... I'M ONE VICTIM THAT ESCAPED FROM TH' CLUTCHES OF "THE SNIFFER"!


BUT I STILL GOTTA FIND OUT WHAT HAPPENED TO THEM THREE OTHER NEWSIES!


LUCKILY, I REMEMBERS TH' ADDRESS ON THAT PACKAGE! I'LL RUN OUT THERE AN' SEE WHAT I CAN TURN UP!
HONK!


YEOW! THAT WAS A CLOSEY! I HAD PLUMB FERGOT ABOUT MY TUMMY FULLA THAT "BLOW-UPPY" STUFF!
SCREECH!

IF THAT CAR HAD CONNECTED WITH ME, I WOULDA BEEN A GONER! WITH ALL THAT T.N.T. INSIDE ME, I SURE GOTTA WATCH MY STEP!

YIPE!

WELL, I NEVER...

PLUNK!

RIGHT, LADY! YOU NEVER CAME SO CLOSE TO BEIN' BLOWED TO BITS!

THANKS FER CUSHIONIN' MY FALL... AN' I MIGHT ADD YOU COME WELL EQUIPPED FER TH' JOB! YAK! YAK!

AFTER ARRIVING AT THE MYSTERY ADDRESS, BUGS STEALTHILY APPROACHES THE FOREBODING HOUSE...

HMM... THERE'S A LITTLE WINDOW OPEN!

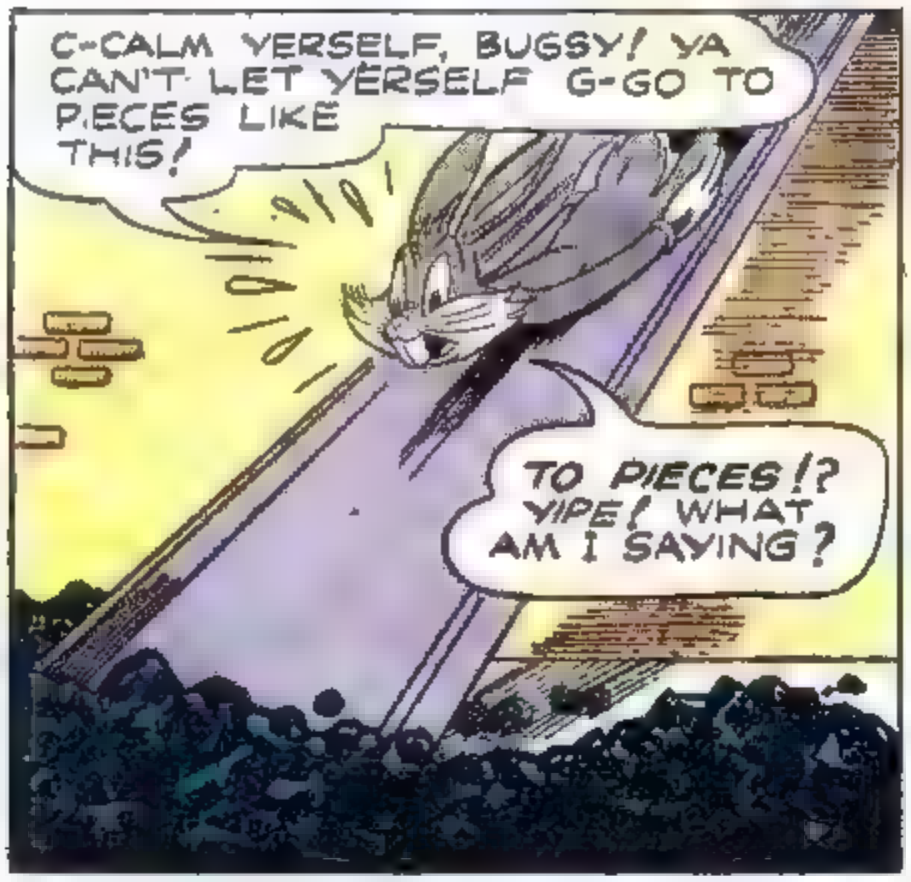
HMM... CAN'T MAKE OUT MUCH, 'CEPTIN' THIS SEEMS TO BE A COAL CHUTE!

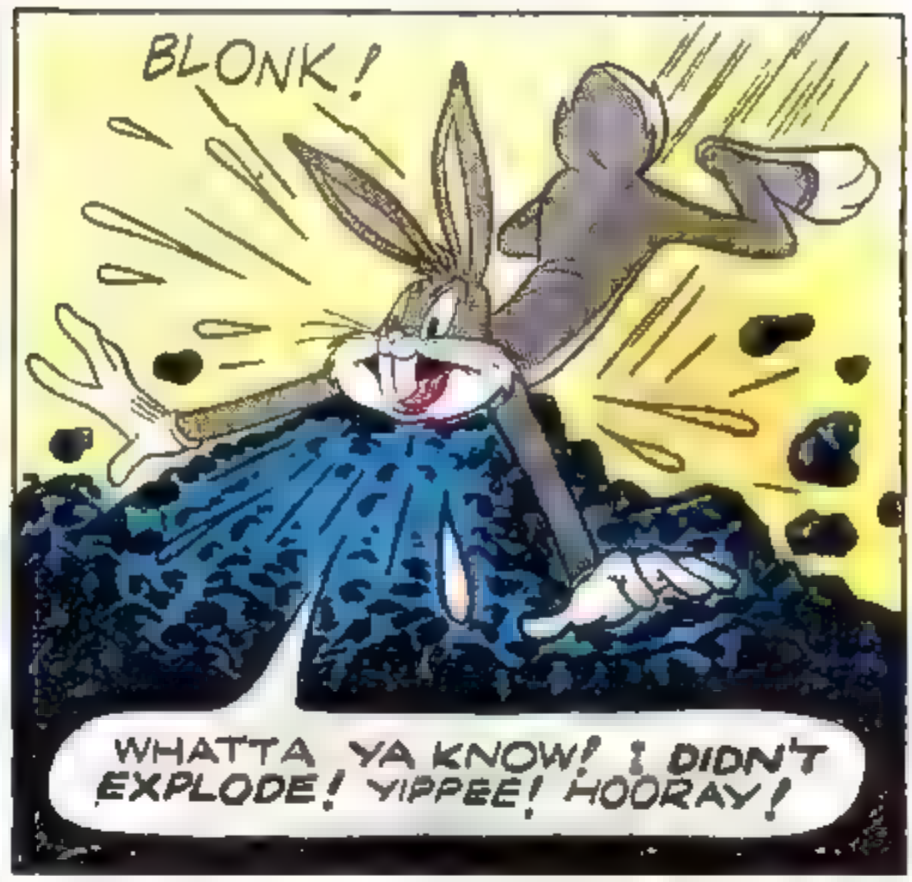
WONDER IF I COULD SLIDE DOWN REAL GENTLE-LIKE, SO'S NOT TO EXPLODE TH' DYNAMITE WHEN I HIT TH' BOTTOM?

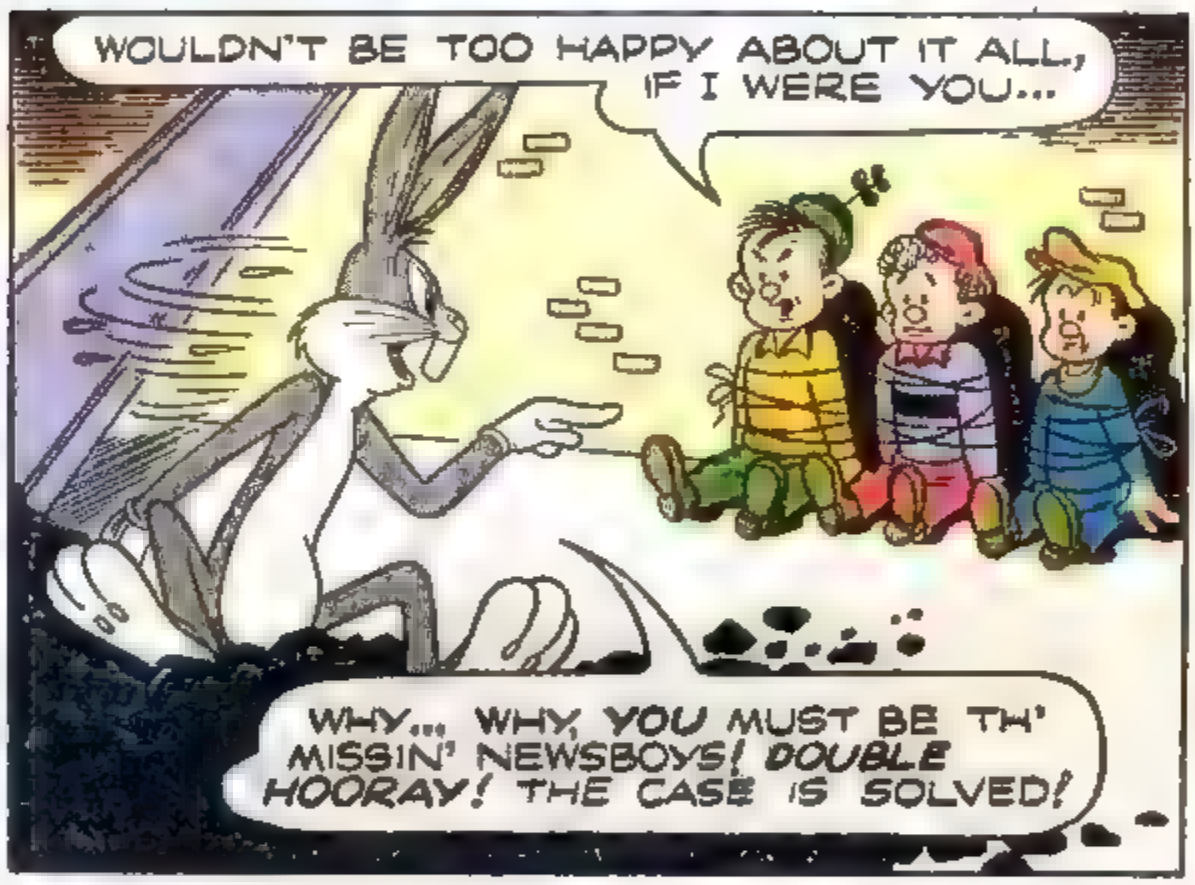
THERE'S ONE WAY TO FIND OUT! SHALL WE TRY IT?... LET'S!

WHOP!

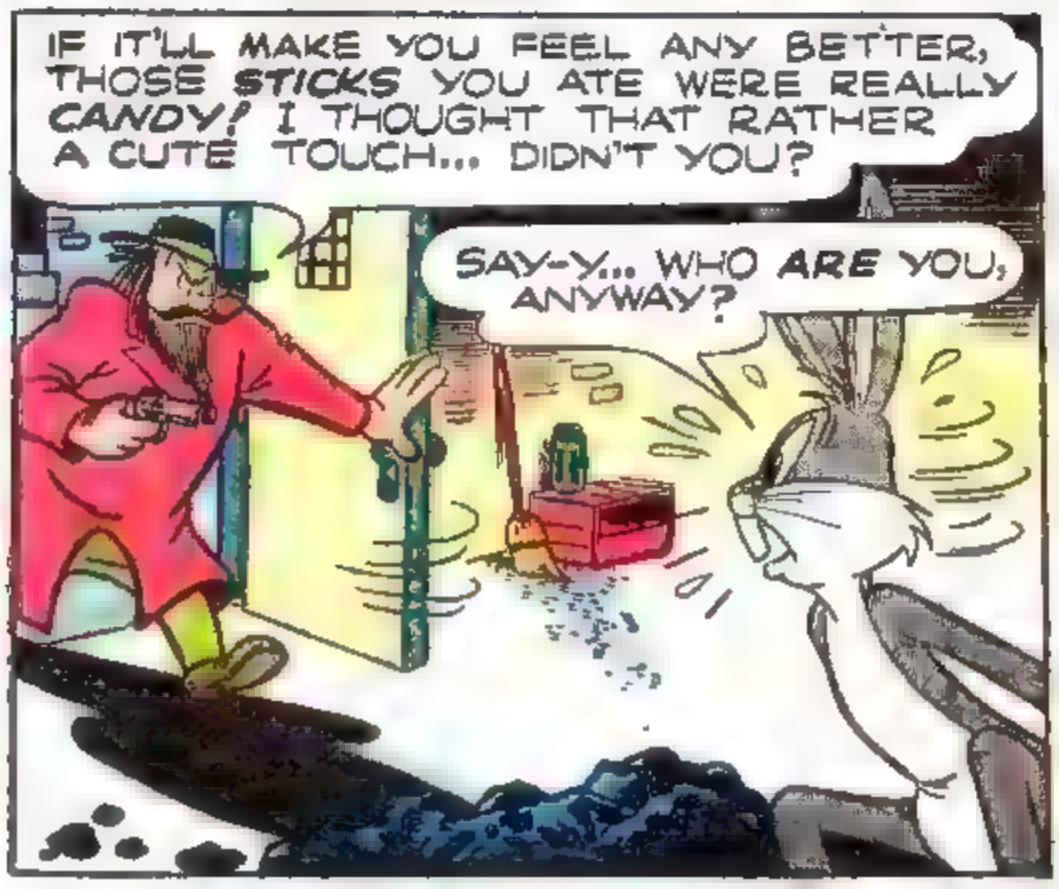
HALP!


C-CALM YERSELF, BUGSY! YA CAN'T LET YERSELF G-GO TO PIECES LIKE THIS!
TO PIECES!? YIPE! WHAT AM I SAYING?


BLONK!
WHATTA YA KNOW! I DIDN'T EXPLODE! YIPPEE! HOORAY!

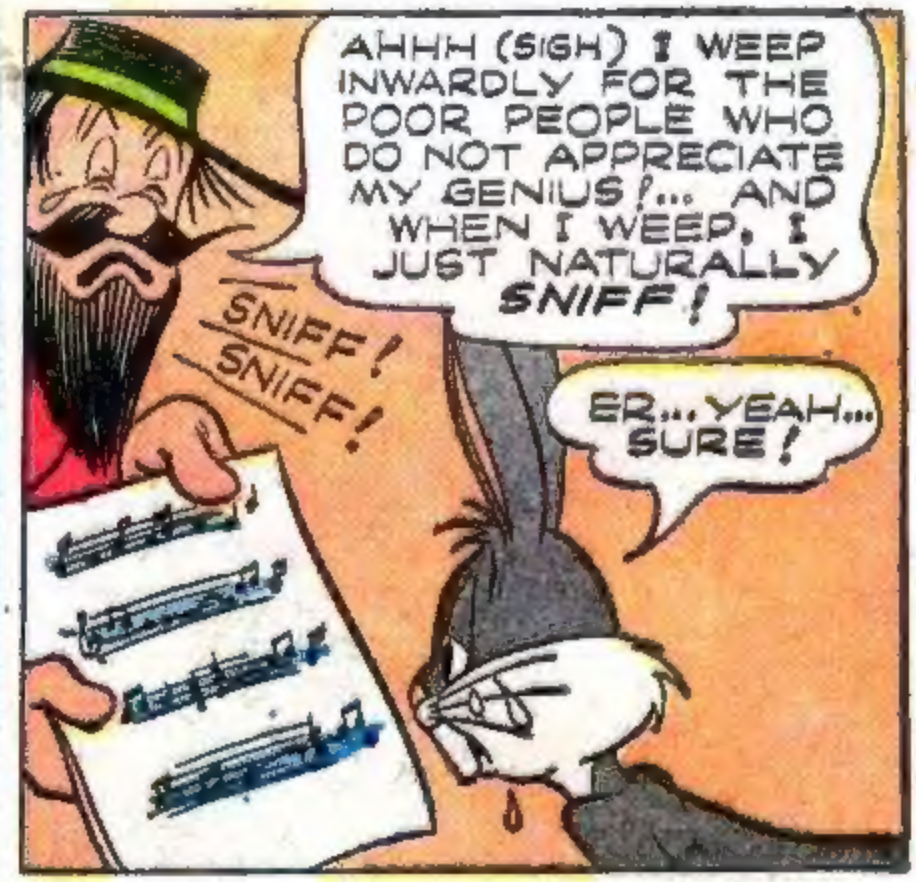

WOULDN'T BE TOO HAPPY ABOUT IT ALL, IF I WERE YOU...
WHY... WHY, YOU MUST BE TH' MISSIN' NEWSBOYS! DOUBLE HOORAY! THE CASE IS SOLVED!

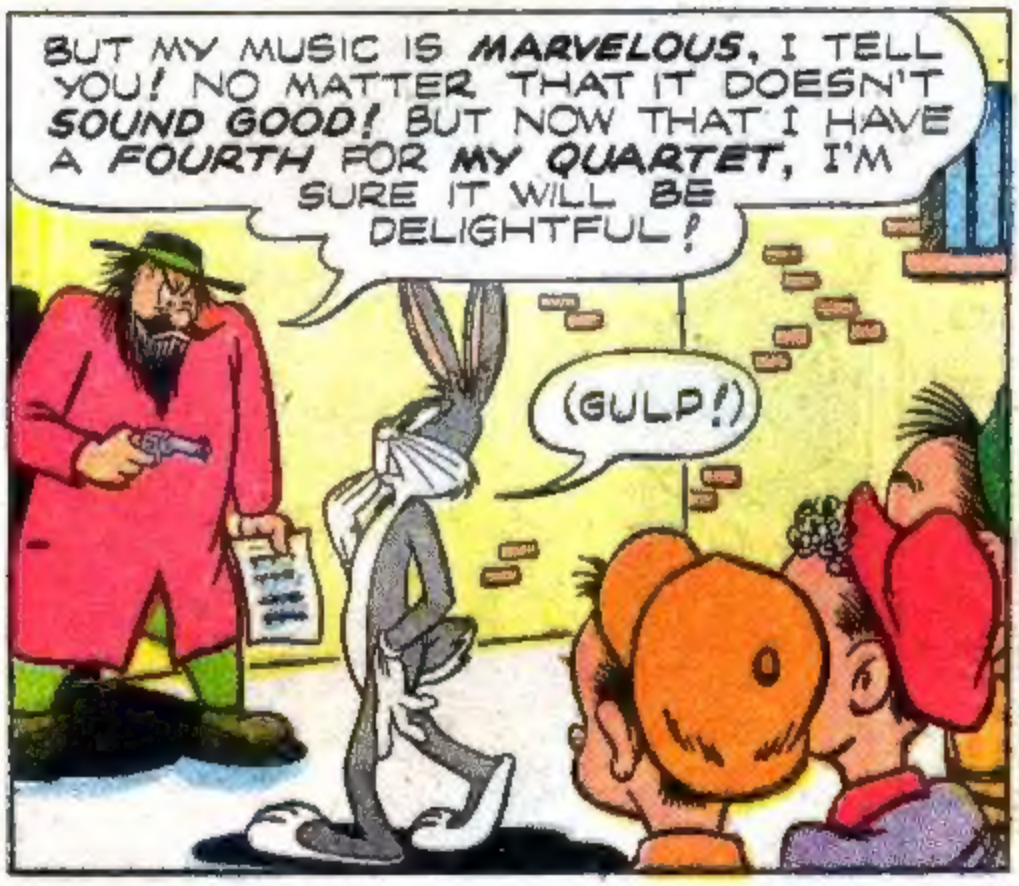
BUT I STILL CAN'T FIGURE OUT WHY I DIDN'T EXPLODE AFTER EATIN' ALL THEM DYNAMITE STICKS!


IF IT'LL MAKE YOU FEEL ANY BETTER, THOSE STICKS YOU ATE WERE REALLY CANDY! I THOUGHT THAT RATHER A CUTE TOUCH... DIDN'T YOU?
SAY-Y... WHO ARE YOU, ANYWAY?

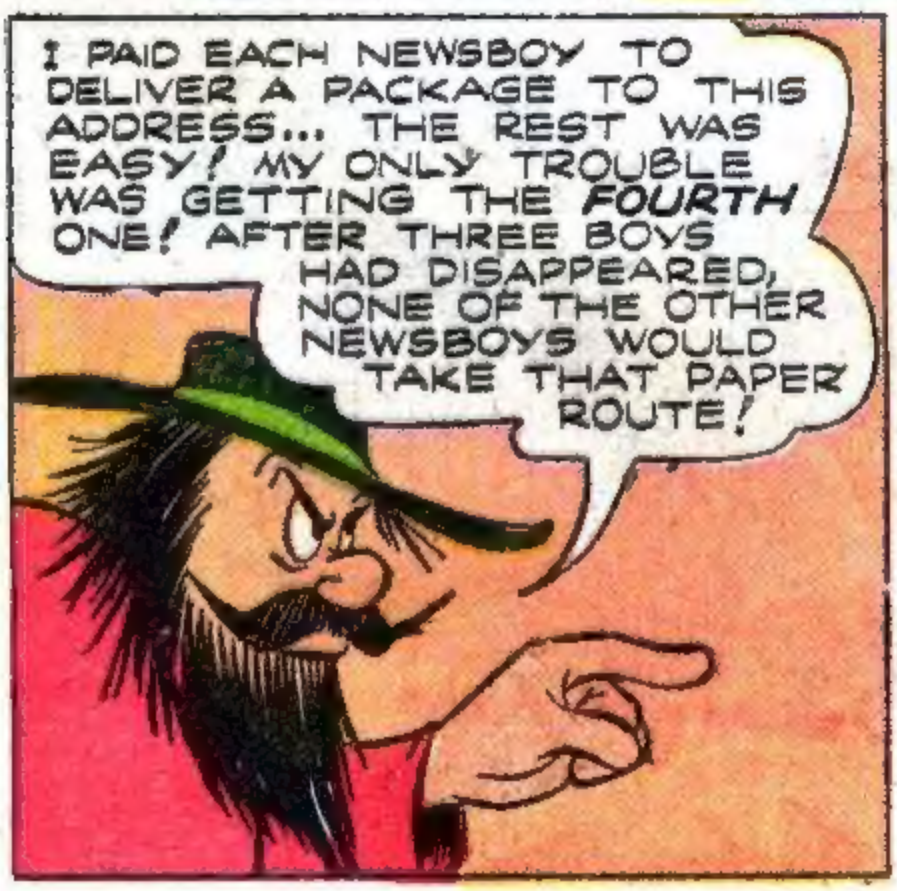
ME? I'M BORIS VON ALLEGRO, WORLD'S GREATEST MUSICAL COMPOSER! BUT THE STUPID WORLD HASN'T FOUND IT OUT YET! HA! HA!

BAH! THE MUSIC CRITICS!... THEY ARE FOOLS!
EH-H-H... HOW COME YOU'RE KNOWED AS "TH' SNIFFER," DOC?

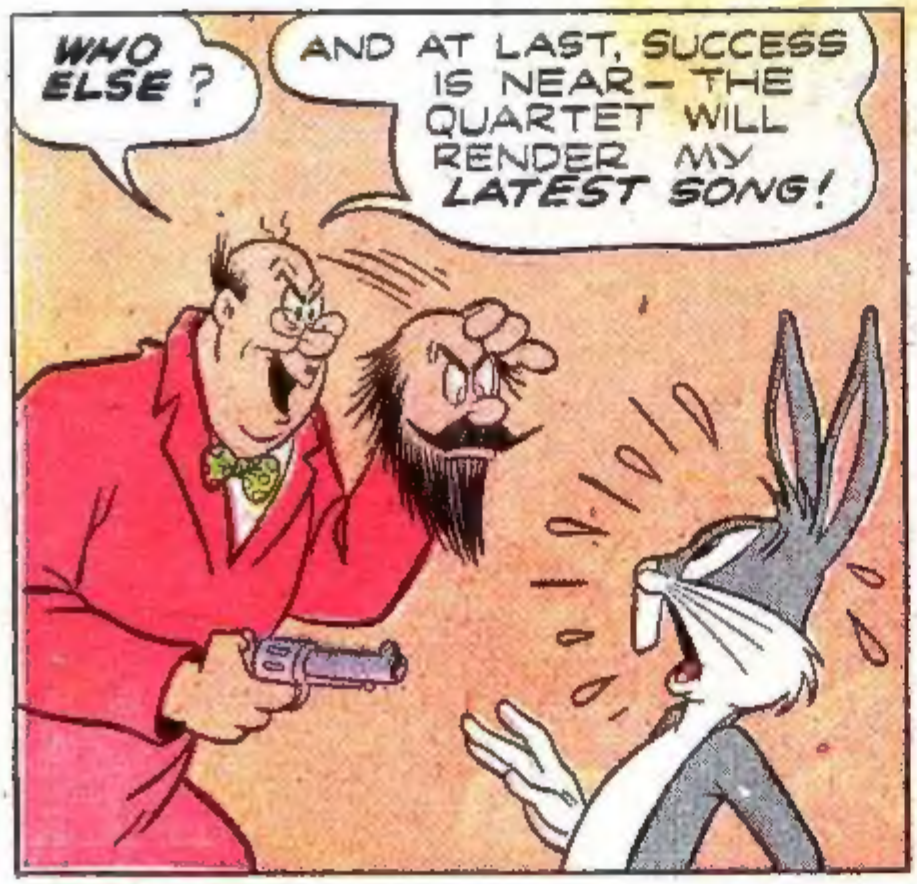

AHHH (SIGH) I WEEP INWARDLY FOR THE POOR PEOPLE WHO DO NOT APPRECIATE MY GENIUS!... AND WHEN I WEEP, I JUST NATURALLY SNIFF!
SNIFF! SNIFF!
ER... YEAH... SURE!

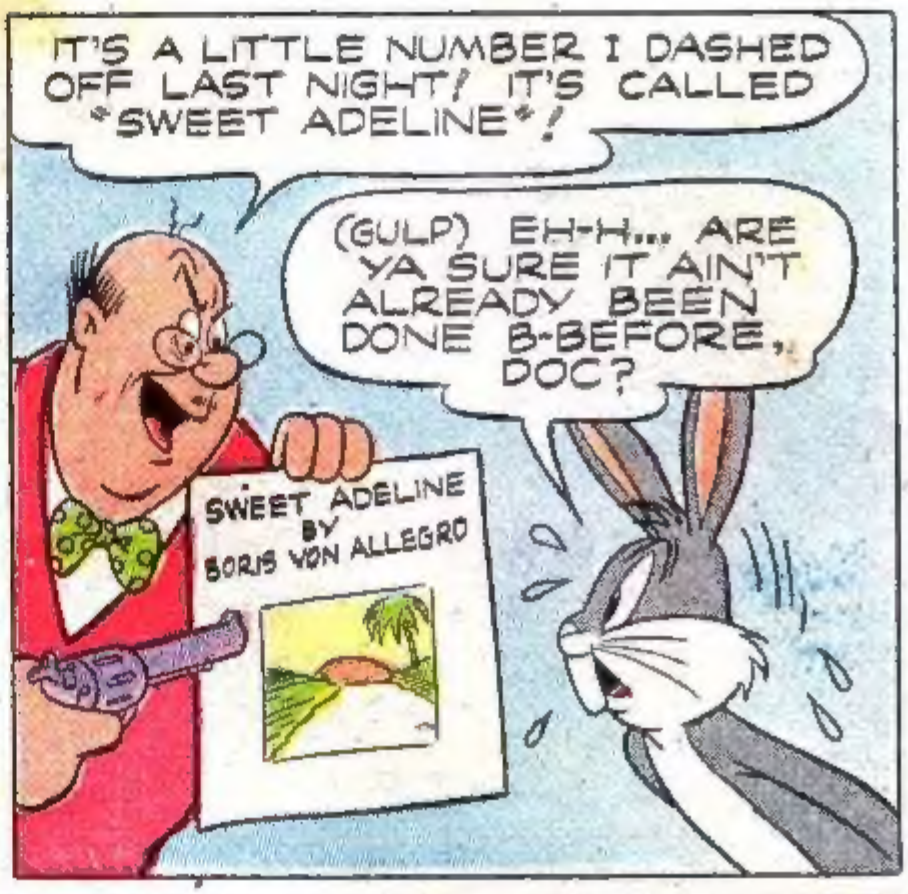

BUT MY MUSIC IS MARVELOUS, I TELL YOU! NO MATTER THAT IT DOESN'T SOUND GOOD! BUT NOW THAT I HAVE A FOURTH FOR MY QUARTET, I'M SURE IT WILL BE DELIGHTFUL!
(GULP!)

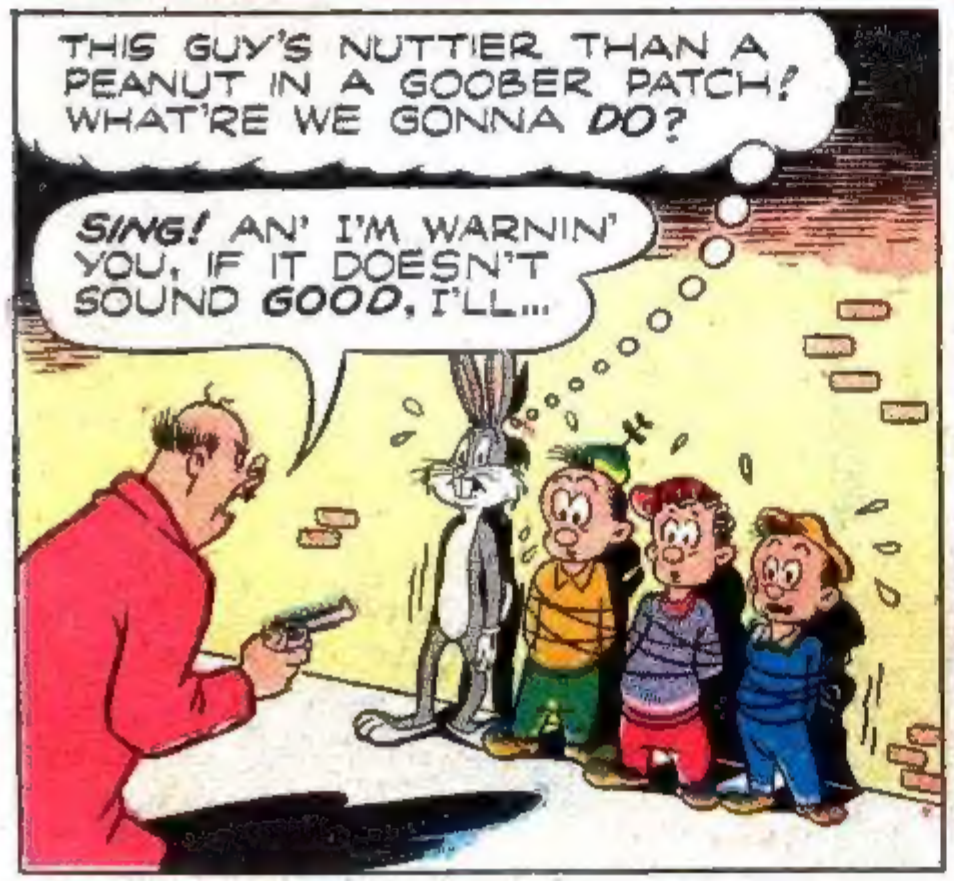
Y'MEAN, YA CAPTURED ALL OF US JUST TO MAKE US SING FOR YA?
YES! IT'S THE ONLY WAY I CAN GET ANYBODY TO SING MY SONGS!


I PAID EACH NEWSBOY TO DELIVER A PACKAGE TO THIS ADDRESS... THE REST WAS EASY! MY ONLY TROUBLE WAS GETTING THE FOURTH ONE! AFTER THREE BOYS HAD DISAPPEARED, NONE OF THE OTHER NEWSBOYS WOULD TAKE THAT PAPER ROUTE!

THAT'S WHEN I GOT THE SENSATIONAL IDEA OF CALLING THE POLICE AND USING A DETECTIVE TO COMPLETE THE QUARTET!
Y-YOU CALLED TH' POLICE? I THOUGHT IT WAS M-MISTER W-WINKLE OF THE CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT THAT...


WHO ELSE ?
AND AT LAST, SUCCESS IS NEAR – THE QUARTET WILL RENDER MY LATEST SONG!


IT'S A LITTLE NUMBER I DASHED OFF LAST NIGHT! IT'S CALLED "SWEET ADELINE"!
(GULP) EH-H... ARE YA SURE IT AIN'T ALREADY BEEN DONE B-BEFORE, DOC?
SWEET ADELINE BY BORIS VON ALLEGRO


THIS GUY'S NUTTIER THAN A PEANUT IN A GOOBER PATCH! WHAT'RE WE GONNA DO?
SING! AN' I'M WARNIN' YOU, IF IT DOESN'T SOUND GOOD, I'LL...

...YOU'LL COME ALONG WITH US, WINKLE... QUIETLY!
B-BUGS! ARE YOU ALL R-RIGHT? I GOT WORRIED ABOUT Y-YOU AN'...

LATER...
SO I UPS AN' TELLS TH' CHIEF THAT I WANT WHAT'S COMIN' TO ME! I SAYS I'M TIRED O' BENDIN' OVER A HOT SCRUB BRUSH...

WELL, YOU WON'T NEED TO BEND OVER ANYMORE, BUGS! HERE'S A NICE LONG-HANDLED MOP FOR YOU!

WARNER BROS. CARTOONS, INC. Present

BUGS BUNNY

STAND BACK, DOC! I GOT A RUSH ORDER T' MAKE A STATUE OF TH' MAYOR!

IT'S GOTTA BE READY FOR TH' DEDICATION IN TH' PARK THIS AFTERNOON!

FINALLY FINISHED TH' JOB! THAT LOOKS MORE LIKE TH' MAYOR THAN HE DOES HIMSELF!

TAKE THIS RIGHT OVER T' TH' PARK, BOYS... THEY'RE WAITIN' FER IT!

THANKS, MISTER! THE MAYOR SAYS HE'S SHORT OF MONEY, AND HE'LL PAY YOU NEXT MONTH, MAYBE!

NO MONEY, EH? I'LL HAFTA MAKE A FEW LAST MINUTE CHANGES, IN THAT CASE!

CITY PARK →

FELLOW CITIZENS, I'M HONORED TO UNVEIL THIS SPLENDID STATUE OF MYSELF... HMMM... WHAT'S ALL THAT NOISE GOING ON UNDERNEATH THE CANVAS?

CLANG CLUNK CLINK CLUNK

WHY, OF ALL THE... SPUT!

WHEN HIS HONOR PAYS ME FER TH' STATUE, I'LL REMOVE TH' POCKETS!

WARNER BROS. CARTOONS, INC. present

BUGS BUNNY

THERE! MY NEW SIDEWALK IS FINISHED!

E. FUDD

SCWAM! NO ONE IS GOING TO SCWATCH INITIALS IN MY SIDEWALK!

BUGS, I'LL GIVE YOU FIFTY CENTS IF YOU'LL PWEVENT THOSE KIDS FWOM PUTTING THEIR INITIALS IN MY SIDEWALK BEFORE IT'S DRY!

I'LL TAKE TH' JOB, DOC!

HEY! KEEP OFFA THAT SIDEWALK, CICERO!

AN' THAT GOES FER YOU, TOO... WHATEVER Y'NAME IS!

DON'T WORRY ABOUT TH' WALK, ELMER! PLENTY OF KIDS TRIED TA PUT THEIR INITIALS IN IT, BUT I SCARED 'EM OFF!

OH, NO! YOU DUMB WABBIT! I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN YOU'D DO **SOMETHING** WRONG!

E. FUDD